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There's not much we can explain about the history of whisky without referring to John Dewar. Dewar's Whisky was originally just a local [illegible] from Scotland [illegible] had achieved in its history cannot be ignored. In the old days, if [illegible] whisky was to go to liquor stores and ask for a measure, [illegible] John Dewar was the first person to sell bottled and labeled [illegible] brought great success to his company. The "Dewar's White Label" [illegible] the early 900s [illegible] one of the most well-known [illegible] John Dewar & Sons, and has been tremendously popular in the [illegible] At present day, the brand is [illegible] with Scotch [illegible] by bartenders. Many of them say that if they were to [illegible]

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實習生和久井實加入之後 Eden hall 雖然吵鬧，卻增添了不少活力 「專業人士要培養接班人才能獨當一面」阿濃將師父的這句話謹記在心 自己也以 實習師父 的身分 鑽研技術 為了教育小實 佐佐倉所選擇的兩家酒吧分別是!?

尖端漫畫・專業發行

菁英族

- ◎ 真相之眼 《綱野不二彥》
- ◎ 醫界黑雲 《佐藤秀峰》
- ◎ 醫眼黑耕作 《弘兼憲史》
- ◎ 課長島耕作 《弘兼憲史》
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- ◎ 青年島耕作 《弘兼憲史》
- ◎ 黃昏流星群 《弘兼憲史》
- ◎ 一切有我 《若狹剛志｜矢島正雄》
- ◎ 眼身訂做 《高梨眼登里》
- ◎ 動物診眼札記 《玉井雪雄》
- ◎ 小眼員週記 《林律雄　高井研一郎》
- ◎ 新新好男人 《高橋真》
- ◎ 妙眼老爹 《上山栃》
- ◎ 醫神Dr 赤 《能條純一》
- ◎ 眼相眼眼 《眼瀨直樹｜弘兼憲史》
- ◎ 政治眼前眼 《弘兼憲史》
- ◎ 大眼店 《石眼章太眼》
- ◎ 偵探物眼 《弘兼憲史》
- ◎ 危險關查員 《浦澤直樹　眼鹿北眼》
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- ◎ 變態怪醫Dr 伊眼部 《島田荘司・矢口順一》
- ◎ 女搜查官凜子 《天瀨彰｜阿宮美亞》
- ◎ 王牌清保 《城安良醫　長友眼師》

城安良媽

說到夏天的調酒，

我最喜歡加了薄荷的「Mojito」，

我種了很多品種的薄荷，

混搭之後味道全都變得一樣了。

就會喝得爛醉一場，

根本不介意酒是什麼味道，

「隨便哪種酒都好～快拿酒來～」

長友健師

即使是同一件事，

用不同的角度、不同的方式來看，

一定會對自己有所幫助。

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OF COURSE
MM YEA
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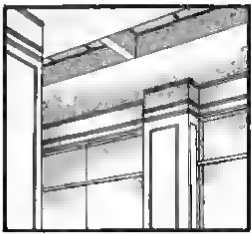
BUSINESS DEPT LESLIE
CUSTOMER SERVICE MANAGER MITANI JUNICHI
CONCIERGE WENDY
AND SO IDENTIFYING SOMEONE AS A US CONCERNS A HOTEL EMPLOYEE S PRIDE
BUSINESS DEPT MANAGER KAMISHIMA KOSUKE

THEY'RE ON THE BLACK-LIST
I SEE SO BASIC-ALLY

UG STANDS FOR UNDESI-RABLE GUESTS
DO YOU REALLY GET IT?

UG IS TROUBLE-SOME~
MM. YEP



I KNEW YOU WEREN'T LISTENING ..!!

YOU...
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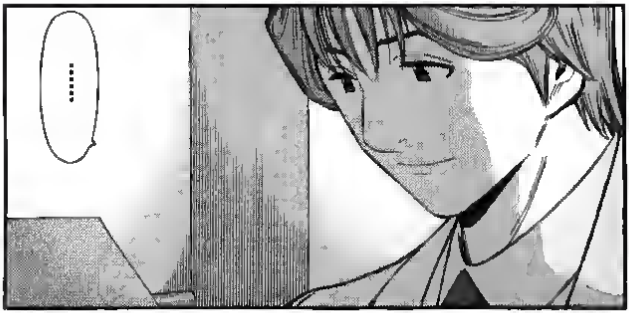
CUSTOMER SERVICE DEPT
OH — IS IT THE UG LIST SENT BY ANOTHER HOTEL?
MANAGER AITANI THERE'S A FAX FOR YOU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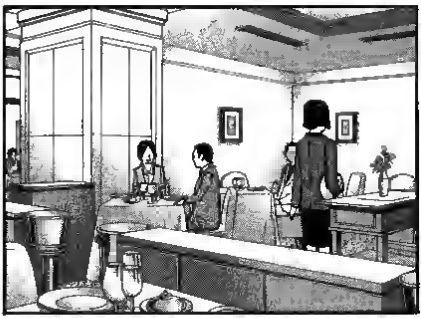
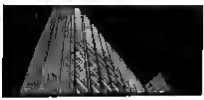
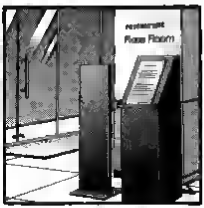
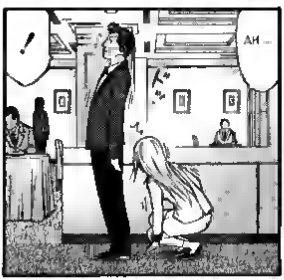





restaurant
Rose Room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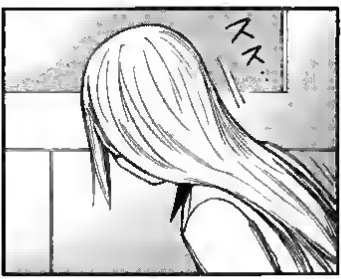
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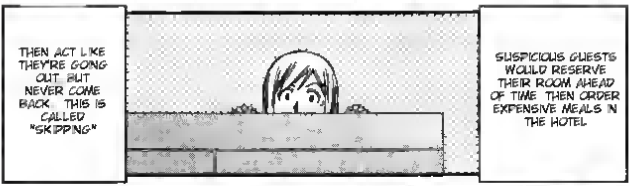
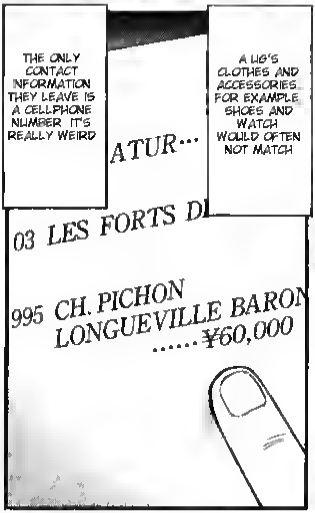
WELL THERE ARE TWO SUSPICIOUS CUSTOMERS
SO SORRY
Shhh~~
WHAT'S WRONG?
RESTAURANT ROSE ROOM FLOOR MANAGER NISHIZAWA HIROYUKI
IF THEY INTEND TO BILK, THEY'D PROBABLY DO IT TODAY
YES, IT'S THEIR SECOND DAY HERE
SUSPICIOUS? US?
ADD FOIE GRAS?
THEN I WANT THE COMBO AND ADD AN ORDER OF FOIE GRAS
Sigh ...

WHILE YOU'RE AT IT, ALSO GET ME SOME BELGIUM CAVIAR
I'M A BIG EATER. THAT AGAINST THE LAW? I'M REALLY HUNGRY!
Shtsh


THEN ACT LIKE THEY'RE GOING OUT, BUT NEVER COME BACK. THIS IS CALLED "SKIPPING"
SUSPICIOUS GUESTS WOULD RESERVE THEIR ROOM AHEAD OF TIME, THEN ORDER EXPENSIVE MEALS IN THE HOTEL

MM. LET ME SEE IT
WE HAVE ANOTHER WINE LIST
ARE THESE ALL THE WINES YOU HAVE?
Champagne
White wine

180 000 YEN. IT'S PRETTY CHEAP HERE
Heh heh...
LET'S SEE AS A LAFITE...


THE ONLY CONTACT INFORMATION THEY LEAVE IS A CELLPHONE NUMBER. IT'S REALLY WEIRD
A LIG'S CLOTHES AND ACCESSORIES, FOR EXAMPLE SHOES AND WATCH WOULD OFTEN NOT MATCH
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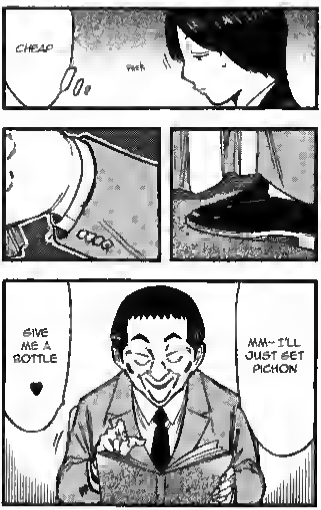
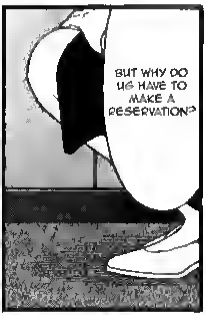
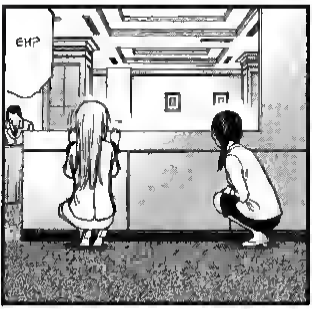
995 CH. PICHON LONGUEVILLE BARON ¥60,000


CHEAP
Pech
GIVE ME A BOTTLE
MM-- I'LL JUST GET PICHON

OF COURSE NOT PAYING FOR THE ROOM OR MEAL IS A CRIMINAL ACT
HOTEL CARDINAL
ALL BILLS ARE PLACED ON THE HOTEL CARD SO THEY CAN LEAVE THE HOTEL WITHOUT PAYING

BECAUSE WALK-IN GUESTS HAVE TO LEAVE A CARD AT THE COUNTER OR PAY SECURITY DEPOSIT!


BUT WHY DO WE HAVE TO MAKE A RESERVATION?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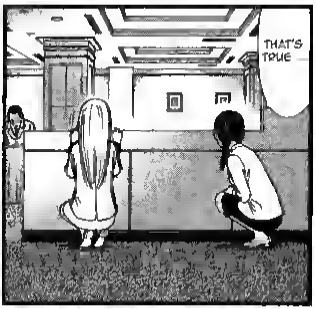
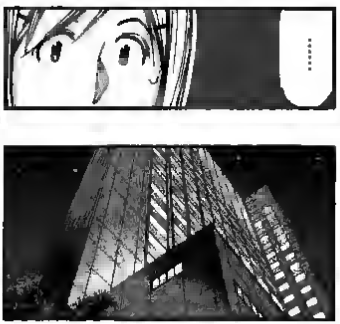

THAT'S TRUE

HI! I'M MIYAU EMI
I ALSO THINK ONE OF THEM IS A UE~

SO YOU'RE MANAGER MITANI'S FRIEND~
THAT'S WHY YOU KNOW THE TERM UE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ARE YOU ALSO WORKING IN A HOTEL?
NO... BUT I'M ALSO IN THE SERVICE INDUSTRY
THOSE TWO HAVE BEEN SUSPICIOUS EVEN BEFORE THEY WENT INTO THE RESTAURANT
ESPECIALLY THE YOUNG ONE CONSTANTLY DISTRACTED
THE OLD WINE MAN TOO!
THE WAY HE DRESSES, YOU WOULDN'T THINK HE CAN AFFORD EXPENSIVE WINE
YOU'RE RIGHT...
JUNICHI IS A GOOD FRIEND OF MY OLDER BROTHER. HE USED TO ALWAYS TELL US THINGS THAT HAPPEN IN THE HOTEL
He he

ON AVERAGE A REAL US DOESN'T EVEN APPEAR MORE THAN 10 TIMES A YEAR RIGHT?
Excited
Excited
ARE YOU THE SECURITY GUARD THAT IS WATCHING THE GATE?

I'M IN THE BUSINESS DEPT. I'M NOT HERE TO PLAY GAMES
AH! THE WINE MAN IS LEAVING!
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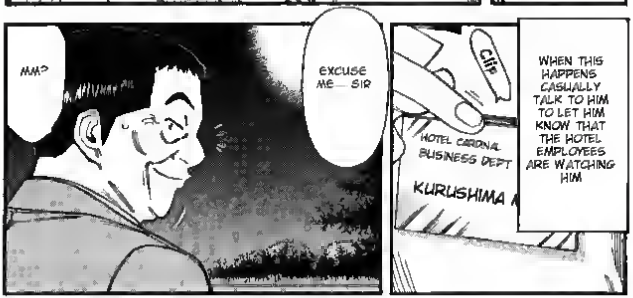
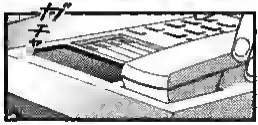

WHEN THIS HAPPENS CASUALLY TALK TO HIM TO LET HIM KNOW THAT THE HOTEL EMPLOYEES ARE WATCHING HIM
Clip
HOTEL CARDINAL BUSINESS DEPT
KURUSHIMA
EXCUSE ME... SIR
MM?

IF YOU'D LIKE A DRINK, THE HOTEL ALSO HAS A GOOD BAR
IS THAT SO? I WANTED TO DRINK AT A BAR IN GINZA...
THE WEATHER REPORT SAID IT MIGHT RAIN TONIGHT
ARE YOU HEADING OUT?
GREAT! LET ME ESCORT YOU TO THE ELEVATOR
...ALL RIGHT THEN I'LL DRINK HERE
HM...
RAIN...
?
MM

!
OH NO! HE WANTS TO TAKE THE ELEVATOR TO THE PARKING GARAGE
EXCUSE ME CAN I HELP YOU?
DO YOU WORK HERE? WHICH FLOOR'S THE BAR AT?
THE BAR'S UPSTAIRS
Click ...

THANKS
AFTER YOU
I'M ALSO HEADING TO THE BAR
.....
THEY BOTH WENT TO THE BAR
I TOLD YOU THIS ISN'T A GAME!
LET'S HEAD ON OVER!

OKAY .. I UNDER-STAND, I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO
WE'S ARE HEADING TO THE BAR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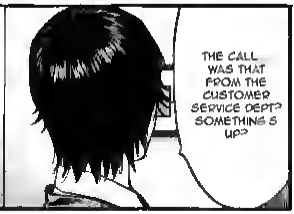
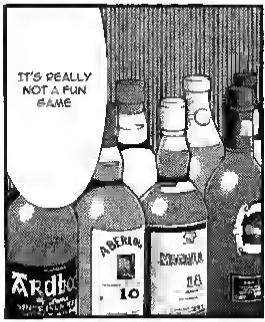
YOU'VE PLAYED DETECTIVE WHEN YOU WERE A KID, RIGHT


THE CALL WAS THAT FROM THE CUSTOMER SERVICE DEPT? SOMETHING'S UP?


IT'S REALLY NOT A FUN GAME

NO

ON NIN-TENDO?
YOU MEAN LIKE A DETECTIVE VIDEO GAME?

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO ORDER?

A STRONG HOT COCK-TAIL
JUST ONE
LET'S SEE... GIVE ME A STRONG HOT COCKTAIL! JUST ONE WILL DO
HOW ABOUT A HOT SUTTERED RUM WITH EXTRA RUM?
NO PROBLEM
AND YOU, SIR?
SOUNDS GOOD!

OKAY
BUT NOT TOO STRONG. A RUM COW WOULD DO
WELL I ALSO WANT A HOT COCKTAIL
.....
WE'RE STILL THINKING ASK US LATER!
UM ..
AND THE LADIES?
COCKTAILS WITH THE WORD "COW" USUALLY CONTAINS MILK
WHAT'S A RUM COW?
O. OKAY

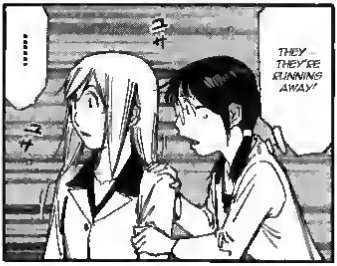
PLACE A SUGAR CUBE INSIDE A HOT GLASS THEN MELT IT DOWN WITH HOT WATER
コト
THEN ADD DARK RUM 45 ML AND SOME MORE HOT WATER
FOR RUM COW USE WARM MILK INSTEAD OF HOT WATER
STIR LIGHTLY THEN ADD BUTTER
DEPENDING ON PERSONAL PREFERENCE, YOU CAN ALSO STIR WITH A CINNAMON STICK
ENJOY

AND HOT BUTTERED RUM COW
HOT BUTTERED RUM
IT'S PERFECT ON A COLD WINTER NIGHT. IT CAN REALLY WARM YOU UP
RUM'S SWEETNESS, BUTTER'S RICHNESS AND THE FRAGRANCE OF SPICE...

THIS TASTE IS DIVINE ♥
AH~
ズズ
IT'S REALLY WARM
WHICH ONE OF THEM IS A LIG
CAN SASAKURA FIGURE IT OUT BY THE WAY THEY DRINK ...?

Place ...
HOTEL CARDINAL
IT'S DELICIOUS THANK YOU
SAME HERE
SIP!...
CHECK PLEASE
!

Squish ...


THEY— THEY'RE RUNNING AWAY!

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UNDESIRABLE GUESTS (PART 2)

HE'S RUNNING AWAY"
WELL THEN
Sniff ...
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AH
Wahhh ?
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SIR!
HEY YOU OKAY!?
Shake
UH
EH
DON'T SHAKE HIM!
AH SO SORRY
HE MAY HAVE SUFFERED A CONCUSSION!

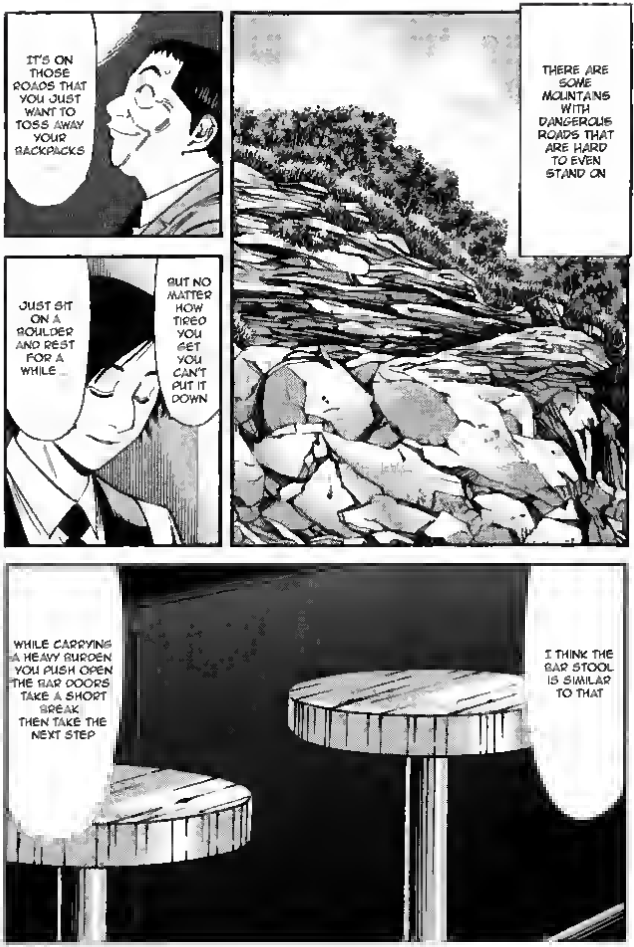
SO SHE'S A NURSE
UH— MM I'M FINE
CAN YOU HEAR ME? I'M A NURSE DON'T WORRY
HA HA— IT WAS A BIG FALL, BUT I'M OKAY I ONLY GOT A BUMP
THERE DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE ANY BLEEDING HOW DO YOU FEEL? DO YOU FEEL NAUSEOUS DIZZY OR HAVE TROUBLE BREATHING?
LET ME GET YOU A DOCTOR
PLEASE DON'T PUSH YOURSELF GRAB ON TO MY SHOULDER

THANK YOU, MISS
NO NEED TO MAKE A BIG DEAL OUT OF THIS
EH — NO! I'M FINE!
YOU'RE WELCOME
JEEZ... I GUESS I'LL HAVE ONE MORE AS WELL
ギシ
WHEW~ I JUST WANTED A DRINK TO HELP ME SLEEP BUT THIS FALL WOKE ME UP LET'S HAVE ANOTHER!
OKAY
AND THESE LADIES TO A DRINK
SORRY TO DISTURB EVERYONE, I'LL TREAT THIS MAN

A NURSE AN ANGEL IN WHITE!
IT SEEMS LIKE I'M IN FOR A LUCKY YEAR!
AN OLD GEEZER LIKE ME BEING HELPED BY A YOUNG LADY
HE HE
ピク
DOESN'T SEEM LIKE NEITHER OF THEM IS A US
.....

MADE A FOOL OUT OF MYSELF
BUT WHY ARE BAR STOOLS SO SMALL?
YEA, I GUESS WE WERE WORRIED ABOUT NOTHING
SPEAKING OF WHICH I REALIZED SOME-THING RECENTLY
I THINK IT REMINDS THEM OF THE STANDING BARS OF OLD
RECENTLY SOME BARS STARTED USING BIGGER STOOLS, BUT SOME CUSTOMERS STILL PREFER THE NARROW TALL STOOLS
MOUNTAIN CLIMBERS?
BAR CUSTOMERS ARE LIKE MOUNTAIN CLIMBERS WITH A HEAVY LOAD ON THEIR BACKS

I'M ALWAYS TIRED AND THE BACKPACK'S SHOULDER STRAPS SANK INTO MY MUSCLES
I WAS IN THE MOUNTAIN CLIMBING CLUB BACK IN SCHOOL
WHEN I JUST JOINED, MY SENIORS WOULD ALWAYS SCOLD ME
AT A TIME LIKE THIS THE NEWBIES WILL TAKE OFF THEIR BACKPACK AND SIT ON THE GROUND
HUFF
HUFF
MY FEET WERE BLEEDING FROM THE BROKEN BLISTERS I REALLY CAN'T GO ON, AND WE FINALLY FOUND A RESTING SPOT
YOU'LL START TO THINK "I'M DONE" OR "I CAN'T TAKE THIS ANYMORE" SO
ONCE YOU PUT YOUR BACKPACK DOWN YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO PICK IT UP AGAIN, AND YOU'LL LOSE THE COURAGE TO GO ON
YOU CAN'T REST?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?


IT'S ON THOSE ROADS THAT YOU JUST WANT TO TOSS AWAY YOUR BACKPACKS
THERE ARE SOME MOUNTAINS WITH DANGEROUS ROADS THAT ARE HARD TO EVEN STAND ON
JUST SIT ON A BOULDER AND REST FOR A WHILE...
BUT NO MATTER HOW TIRED YOU GET YOU CAN'T PUT IT DOWN
WHILE CARRYING A HEAVY BURDEN YOU PUSH OPEN THE BAR DOORS TAKE A SHORT BREAK THEN TAKE THE NEXT STEP
I THINK THE BAR STOOL IS SIMILAR TO THAT

THAT'S WHY EVEN THOUGH A BAR'S STOOL IS SMALL IT'S ENOUGH
YOU SHOULDN'T GET DRUNK AT A BAR. BUT THIS GLASS OF LIQUOR CAN GIVE YOU THE COURAGE AND STRENGTH TO CLIMB A MOUNTAIN

THE COURAGE AND STRENGTH TO CLIMB A MOUNTAIN. THAT'S TRUE
I SEE. YOU'RE RIGHT

CURA-CAO?
I WANT TO MAKE SOMETHING MORE SOOTHING FOR THE TWO OF YOU. IS CURACAO OKAY?

MY APPRENTICE IS TOO TALKATIVE
I'M VERY SORRY

AH-CAMPARI

CURACAO IS A LIQUEUR MADE BY COMBINING SWEET, CLEAR LIQUEUR OR BRANDY WITH ORANGE PEEL'S FRAGRANCE AND SUGAR
ORANGE CURACAO 20 ML GRAND MARNIER 20 ML
LEMON JUICE 20 ML GRENADINE 2 DASH
SHAKE THEM TOGE-THER
ORANGE'S FRAGRANCE CAN SOOTH AND CALM YOUR EMOTIONS
IT ALSO HELPS WITH DEPRESSION

THAT IS WHY THIS COCKTAIL IS CALLED
IT'S PERFECT WHEN YOU'RE TIRED OR IN PAIN
BLOOM CHASER
IT WILL DRIVE YOUR GLOOMY MOOD AWAY

ENJOY THIS ONE'S FOR YOU
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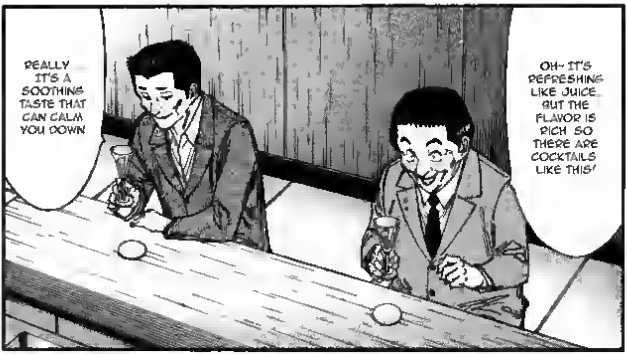
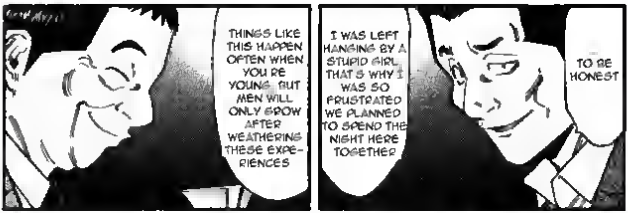
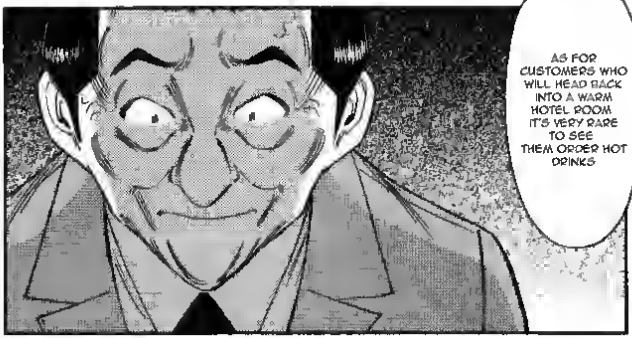
FOR HER?
THANK YOU
THE SILENCER

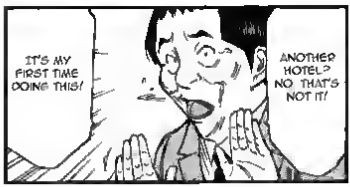

REALLY IT'S A SOOTHING TASTE THAT CAN CALM YOU DOWN
OH~ IT'S REFRESHING LIKE JUICE... BUT THE FLAVOR IS RICH SO THERE ARE COCKTAILS LIKE THIS!


THINGS LIKE THIS HAPPEN OFTEN WHEN YOU'RE YOUNG. BUT MEN WILL ONLY GROW AFTER WEATHERING THESE EXPERIENCES
I WAS LEFT HANGING BY A STUPID GIRL. THAT'S WHY I WAS SO FRUSTRATED WE PLANNED TO SPEND THE NIGHT HERE TOGETHER
TO BE HONEST

WELL THEN ..
REALLY CAN'T JUDGE A BOOK BY IT'S COVER. YOU SAY SOME DEEP STUFF!
GULP
HA HA HA! YOU'RE INTERESTING, OLD MAN!

MR BARTENDER
THERE'S SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH THE HOTEL STAFF
...ABOUT YOUR BILL?
LET'S SEE. GIVE ME A STRONG HOT COCKTAIL! JUST ONE WILL DO
THE FIRST DRINK YOU ORDERED IF WE WERE AT A STREET BAR, THEN IT'S NOTHING UNUSUAL
BECAUSE CUSTOMERS WHO ORDER HOT DRINKS WILL HEAD OUT INTO THE COLD


AS FOR CUSTOMERS WHO WILL HEAD BACK INTO A WARM HOTEL ROOM IT'S VERY RARE TO SEE THEM ORDER HOT DRINKS


IT'S MY FIRST TIME DOING THIS!
ANOTHER HOTEL? NO, THAT'S NOT IT!

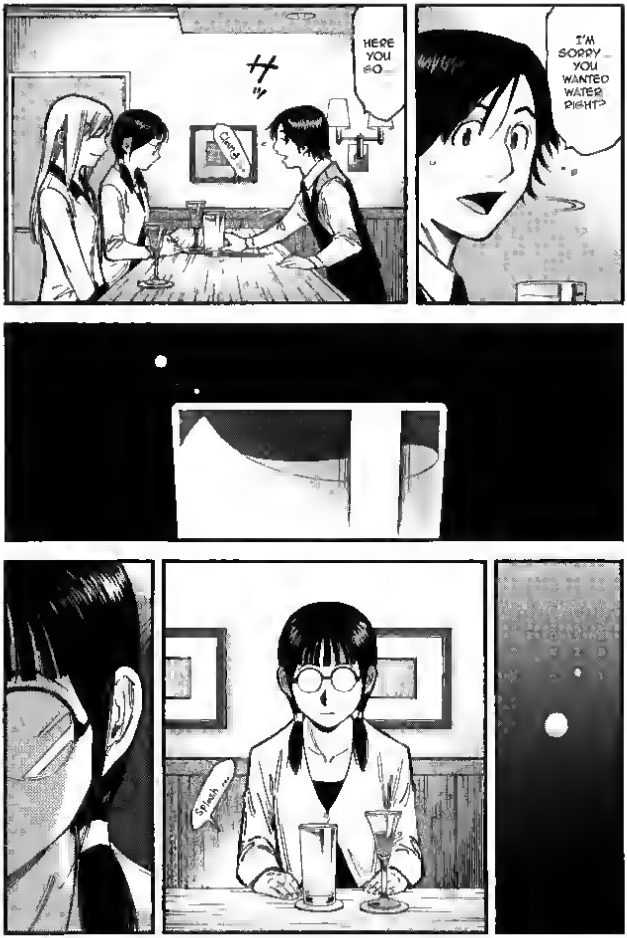
SO YOU REALLY ARE A WE FROM ANOTHER HOTEL!

I SAID I WAS GOING TO TREAT YOU GUYS ... I KNOW I CAN'T AFFORD IT BUT MY PRIDE GOT THE BEST OF ME
MY BUSINESS RAN INTO SOME TROUBLE, BUT I JUST DON'T WANT TO STOP THIS EXTRAVAGANT LIFE STYLE THAT'S WHY I CHECKED INTO THIS HOTEL AND ORDERED EXPENSIVE WINE

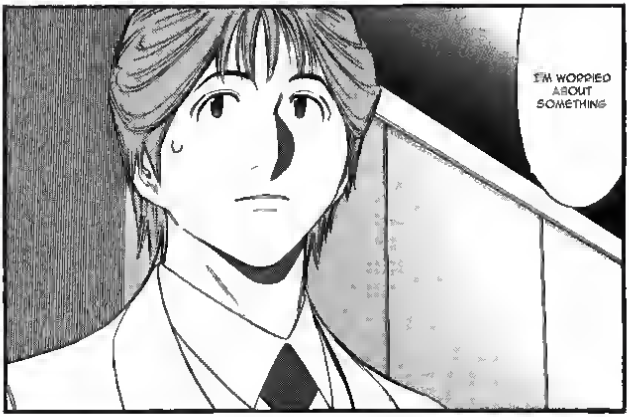
BUT DON'T WORRY
.....
EARLIER, I WANTED TO RUN BUT YOU STOPPED ME
THANKS TO YOU I'VE REGAINED MY COURAGE AND STRENGTH!
EH—
I'LL COVER THIS MAN'S EXPENSES
CHECK PLEASE
HOTEL CHRONOS

YOUR EXPENSES IS NOTHING COMPARED TO BUYING THAT STUPID GIRL A BRAND NAME PURSE!
BARS ARE INTERESTING BECAUSE SOMETIMES YOU'LL MEET WEIRD, CASUAL IDIOTS LIKE ME! OLD MAN!
BUT THAT'S IT WAS JUST A COINCI-DENCE THAT WE WERE BOTH DRINKING HERE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR VISIT!
Hee hee hee
TSUBASA THERE ARE STILL CUSTOMERS HERE
SASAKURA-SAN GOOD THING NOTHING BAD HAPPENED
SHOOT!
AH...
EH...
EXCUSE ME


HERE YOU GO...
Clunk
I'M SORRY... YOU WANTED WATER RIGHT?
Splash...

YOU... POURED WATER ON ME
WATER
WHAT?
I NEED TO LEAVE FOR A BIT. I'LL LET YOU HANDLE THE DOCUMENTS
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
TO THE BAR UPSTAIRS...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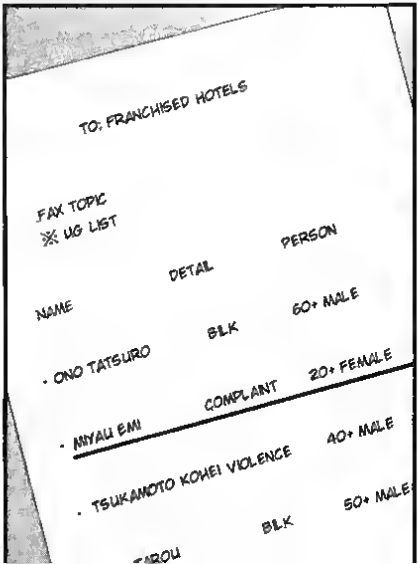
TO: FRANCHISED HOTELS
FAX TOPIC
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NAME
DETAL
PERSON
. ONO TATSURO
BLK
60+ MALE
. MIYAU EMI
COMPLANT
20+ FEMALE
. TSUKAMOTO KOHEI VIOLENCE
40+ MALE
BLK
50+ MALE

APOLOGIZE TO ME
ガラ
SHH...
.....
EH...
IF SO. THEN APOLOGIZE TO ME
YOU KNOW YOU SCREWED UP RIGHT? IT'S A MISTAKE. RIGHT?

I WANT YOU TO KNEEL DOWN AND BEG FOR FORGIVENESS!
KNEEL DOWN!

MISS PLEASE SIT

SASAKURA SAN DID I DO SOMETHING WRONG?
.....

TAKE A SHORT BREAK, THEN TAKE THE NEXT STEP?
WHILE CARRYING A HEAVY BURDEN YOU PUSH OPEN THE BAR DOORS
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!
BAR STOOLS EXIST FOR THIS PURPOSE?

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UNDESIRABLE GUESTS (PART 3)

I-I DIDN'T MEAN TO!
AND... IT'S JUST ONE DROP OF WATER. WHY'RE YOU SO WORKED UP...
DO YOU THINK IT'S OKAY TO POUR WATER ON ME?
YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO HAND CUSTOMERS THEIR WATER. HOW ARE YOU QUALIFIED TO WORK HERE? WHAT A JOKE!
!
SHUT UP!
SASA-KUPA-SAN...
THE WHOLE WORLD IS AGAINST ME
EH...

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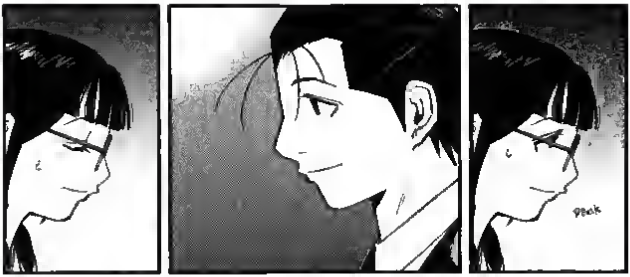
JU... JUNICHI. WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE!?
EMI
YOU'RE A HARD-WORKING NURSE WITH GREAT ASPIRATIONS. I THINK EVEN IF I ASKED...
YOU WOULDN'T TELL ME WHY YOU BECAME AN UNDESIRABLE GUEST FOR FILING COMPLAINTS

ENJOY THIS ONE'S FOR YOU
THAT'S WHY SASAKURA SAID
THAT'S WHY I ASKED HIM TO LOOK AFTER YOU
CONVERSATION IN A BAR NEVER GETS OUT SO IT'S OKAY TO SAY ANYTHING
IF YOU DON'T MIND I'D LIKE TO HEAR YOUR STORY


Sigh

I ... WORK 15 HOURS A DAY ... I'M STILL A NEWBIE. I'M NOT USED TO THE SCHEDULE AND PRESSURE. SO I FEEL TIRED ...
BUT I BELIEVE IT'S FOR THE GREATER GOOD, SO I KEPT AT IT

WHAT PAINS ME THOUGH ... IS THAT I'M FORCED TO KEEP A SMILE AT ALL TIMES

BUT THE OTHER PATIENTS COMPLAINED THAT I NEVER SMILE
I BECAME DEPRESSED AFTER A PATIENT WHO WAS REALLY GOOD TO ME PASSED AWAY
SMILE?
.....
THE HEAD NURSE ALSO GAVE ME A WARNING
Clench
THIS HAPPENED 2 3 TIMES IN A MONTH
I CRIED AS I YELLED AT HER...
I COULDN'T HELP BUT GO OFF AT HER WE'RE BOTH SERVICE PERSONNELS. SO WHY ARE WE TREATED SO DIFFERENTLY
AND YET SHE GAVE ME A FAKE SMILE AND SAID "MISS~ ARE YOU ALRIGHT~"
THAT'S WHY WHEN A WAITRESS AT A HOTEL RESTAURANT ACCIDENTALLY DROPPED THE DISHES

SO WHY DID YOU LOOK FOR UNDESIRABLE GUESTS WITH ME?

AND AFTERWARDS I FELT MUCH BETTER

HUH?

I JUST WANTED TO FIGURE OUT WHO'S THE UNDESIRABLE GUESTS FIRST
SO I CAN LAUGH AT YOU GUYS AND SAY YOU DESERVED IT—

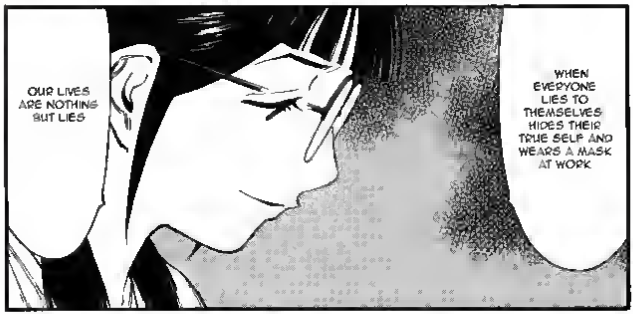
I KNOW THAT IF I AVOID IT IT'S THE SAME AS GIVING UP ON A DYING PATIENT
EVERY DAY AT THE HOSPITAL PEOPLE CONSTANTLY TELL ME, "YOU'RE AN ANGEL IN WHITE" "KEEP SMILING" "KEEP IT UP" "ENCORE"

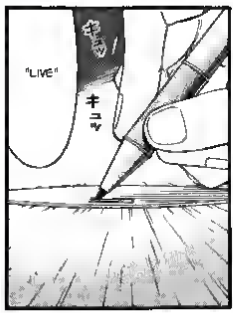
NURSE AN ANGEL IN WHITE!
AH—

SHE WAS HURT BY WHAT I SAID...
I'M NOT AN ANGEL AND I CAN'T BECOME ONE!
BUT I'M JUST A NEWBIE NURSE!
EVERYONE WEARS A MASK AND ENDURES IT
I'M WELL-AWARE THAT...
.....
EVEN KURUSHIMA-SAN

EVEN YOU GUYS

AND JUNICHI


OUR LIVES ARE NOTHING BUT LIES
WHEN EVERYONE LIES TO THEMSELVES HIDES THEIR TRUE SELF AND WEARS A MASK AT WORK


"LIVE"
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EH...
MISS THAT'S NOT ENTIRELY TRUE

BUT
IT'S SPELLED LIVE
キュッ
IF YOU FLIP IT OVER, IT BECOMES ..
ΛIVE
... EVIL

IF YOU ADD A "D" IT BECOMES
WHAT?...
LIVING IS ... EVIL
THAT'S TRUE PART OF GROWING UP IS ACCEPTING THE EVIL IN YOUR OWN HEART
DEVIL!
YOU'RE MISERABLE BECAUSE YOU THINK THAT WAY...
HIDING YOUR TRUE SELF AND FORCING THE MASK OF AN ANGEL ON YOURSELF

YOU'LL FEEL BETTER IF YOU ACCEPT THAT
BUT HUMANS ARE BORN WITH TWO SIDES
HUH!?
DO YOU WANT TO TURN INTO A DEVIL?
TO-NIGHT
IT'S OKAY TO NOT BE AN ANGEL?
SHAKE THEM TOGETHER
BRANDY 45 ML
MINT LIQUEUR 15 ML
GET 27
Hennessy
V.S.O.P
COGNAC

ENJOY
THEN SEASON WITH SOME RED PEPPER
パラ
DEVIL
IT'S SAID THAT THIS DRINK GOT IT'S NAME BECAUSE IT IS GREEN LIKE THE DEVILS BLOOD

Gulp!
THE DEVIL'S BLOOD
DEVIL
A VERY COMPLICATED AND MATURE TASTE
PEPPERSHINE AND RICH SWEET SPICY AND CRISP AS WELL
IT TASTE WAY BETTER THAN I IMAGINED

BEING AN ADULT COULD ALSO MEAN TO LIVE A COMPLICATED LIFE WHERE YOU ARE NEITHER AN ANGEL NOR A DEVIL
THIS COCKTAIL NOT ONLY HAS A DEVIL'S TRAITS, BUT IT'S RICHNESS DRAWS PEOPLE IN

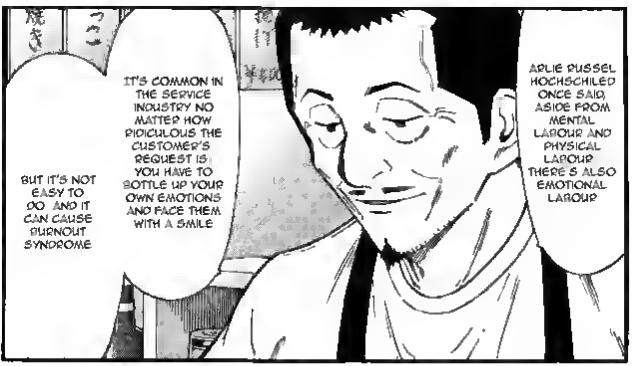
I'LL KEEP IT AS A REMINDER

SURE
DEVI
MAY I TAKE THIS WITH ME?

I WON'T SAY ANYTHING BUT DON'T DO THIS AGAIN
JUNICHI SORRY FOR ALL THE TROUBLE I CAUSED. CAN YOU KEEP THIS FROM MY BROTHER
OF COURSE! YOU CAN COME BACK ANYTIME
I... CAN COME AGAIN!?
YOU'RE WELCOME TO COME AGAIN
UM...
I WILL
MISS, I...

AH

EMO-
TIONAL
LABOR-
ED?
NURSES ARE
THE CLASSIC
EMOTIONAL
LABORERS

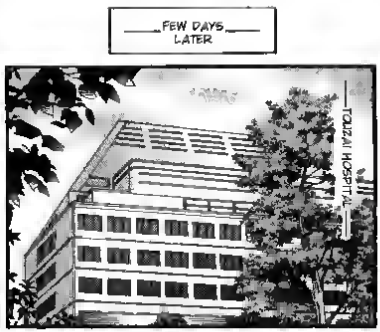

ARLIE RUSSEL
HOCHSCHILD
ONCE SAID,
ASIDE FROM
MENTAL
LABOUR AND
PHYSICAL
LABOUR
THERE'S ALSO
EMOTIONAL
LABOUR
IT'S COMMON IN
THE SERVICE
INDUSTRY NO
MATTER HOW
RIDICULOUS THE
CUSTOMER'S
REQUEST IS,
YOU HAVE TO
BOTTLE UP YOUR
OWN EMOTIONS
AND FACE THEM
WITH A SMILE
BUT IT'S NOT
EASY TO
DO AND IT
CAN CAUSE
BURNOUT
SYNDROME

TO A CUSTOMER, THE BARTENDER IS THEIR PRIVATE COUNSELOR. THAT'S WHY IT'S BETTER TO SPEAK WITH ONE CUSTOMER AT A TIME
DID I CAUSE THIS? IT'S CAUSE I STARTED TALKING ABOUT MOUNTAIN CLIMBING AND BAR STOOLS
I GOT IT
WHEN YOU CONSOLE A CUSTOMER, YOU MAY BE HURTING ANOTHER
SASAKURA-SAN IS AN APPRENTICE MANAGER
LET ME REMIND YOU THAT YOU'RE AN APPRENTICE BARTENDER, BUT I'M AN APPRENTICE MANAGER... SO EVEN I DON'T KNOW
THAT NURSE WILL SHE REALLY COME AGAIN?
YES...
コト

WHAT WOULD KASE-SAN DO AT A TIME LIKE THIS...
WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO IT...
Hhh...
DO YOU THINK I CAN LIVE UP TO HIS EXPECTATIONS?
"A PERSON NEEDS TO DEVELOP NEW TALENT TO TRULY BECOME A PROFESSIONAL!
APPRENTICE MANAGER AND APPRENTICE BARTENDER!

THERE ARE TOO MANY THINGS IN THIS WORLD THAT YOU CAN'T SOLVE IN YOUR HEAD
THAT'S WHY LIFE IS WORTH LIVING!

SAITOU-SAN- DON'T BE SO STUBBORN!
EVEN A 3-YEAR OLD IS OKAY WITH A NEEDLE!


FEW DAYS LATER
TOUZAI HOSPITAL

EH—
I CAN GET THE DIRECTOR BUT~ HIS SKILLS ARE EVEN WORSE THAN MINE
YOU KIDDING!? IT HURTS CAUSE YOU SUCK AT THIS! GET ME THE DIRECTOR
OR A PERSON WITH THE SMILE OF AN ANGEL WHO WILL CAUSE YOU LOTS OF PAIN?
Flash
SO~ DECIDE! DO YOU WANT A SCARY DEVIL WHO HAS THE TOUCH OF AN ANGEL
SHH! I KNEW I SHOULD'VE WENT TO ANOTHER HOSPITAL!
THEN STOP CRYING AND GIVE ME YOUR HAND! AND I'M NOT AN UGLY GIRL
IT'S BETTER TO NOT FEEL ANY PAIN! STUPID~
DO — DO YOU HAVE TO ASK? EVEN IF I HAVE TO STARE AT AN UGLY GIRL

THAT'S RIGHT! IF YOU DON'T WANT TO STAY HERE, THEN HURRY UP AND GET WELL!

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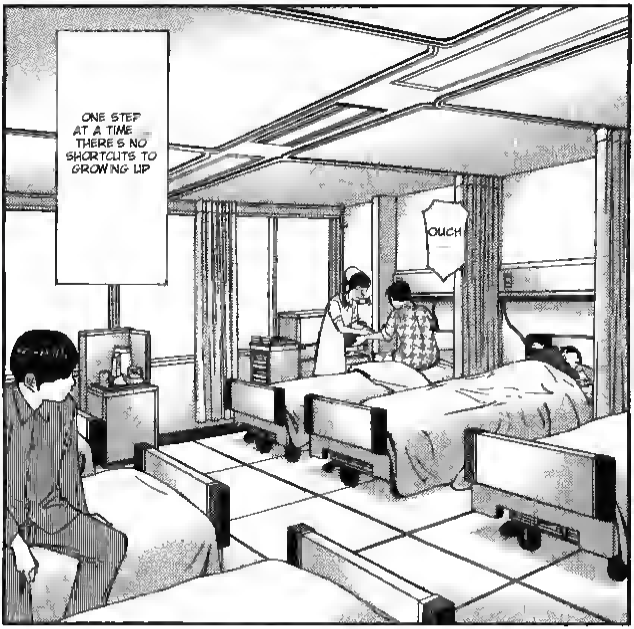
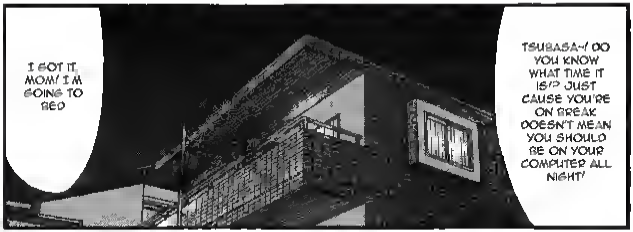
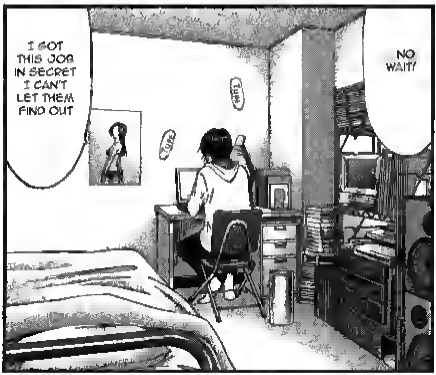
BUT...
YEA, NURSES ARE ANGELS IN WHITE
YOU SEEM DIFFERENT

THEY'LL SOMETIMES TURN INTO THE DEVIL!

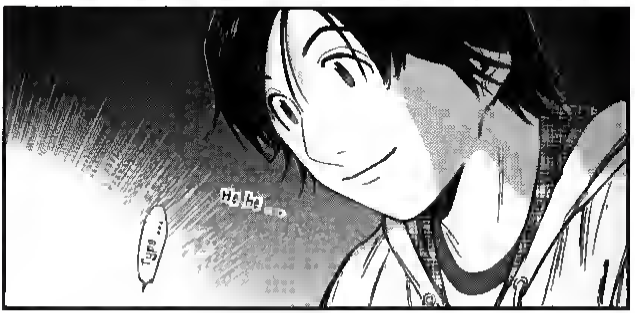

ONE STEP AT A TIME THERE'S NO SHORTCUTS TO GROWING UP
OUCH


I GOT IT, MOM! I'M GOING TO BED
TSUBASA-! DO YOU KNOW WHAT TIME IT IS!? JUST CAUSE YOU'RE ON BREAK DOESN'T MEAN YOU SHOULD BE ON YOUR COMPUTER ALL NIGHT!


I GOT THIS JOB IN SECRET I CAN'T LET THEM FIND OUT
NO WAIT!
CLICK
CLICK

ALWAYS TREATING ME LIKE A STUDENT

I'VE GOT A JOB ALREADY


HE HE...
SIGH...

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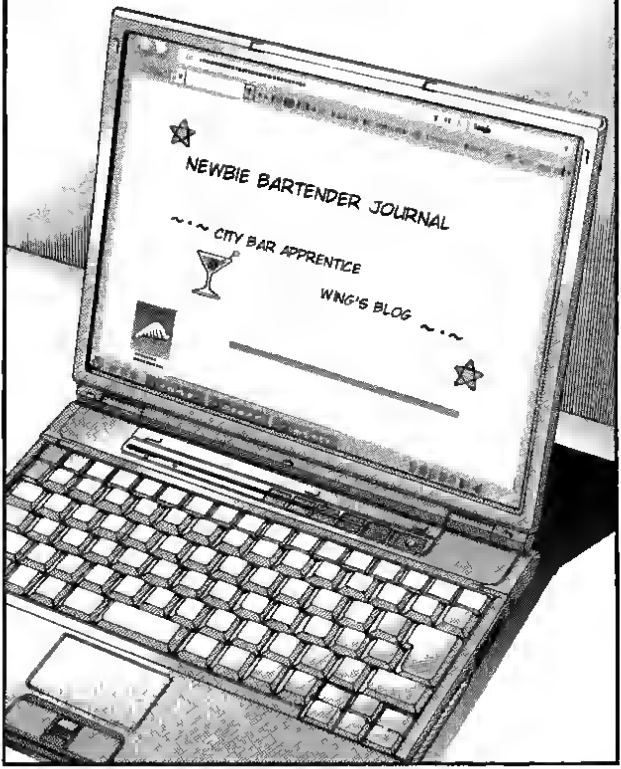
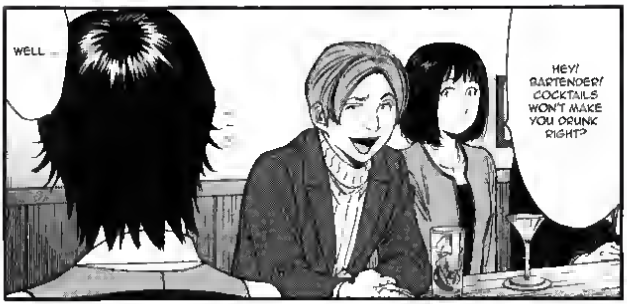
BAR COUNTER RULES

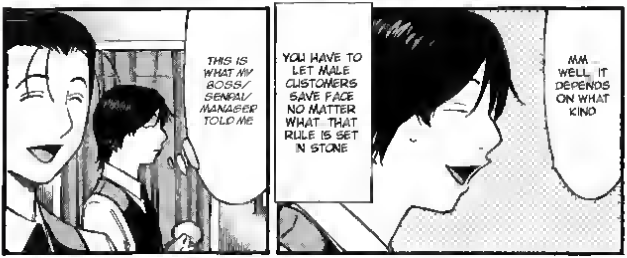


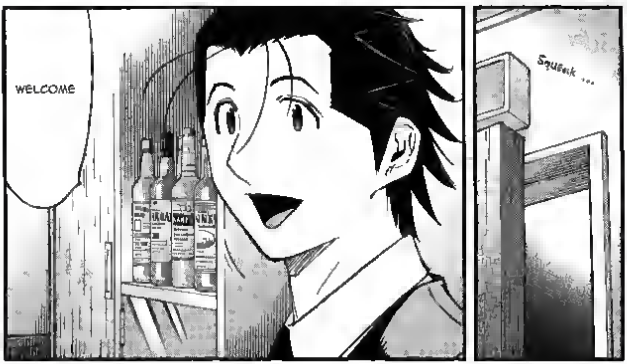
○MONTH×DAY●A FRUSTRATING SEASON●

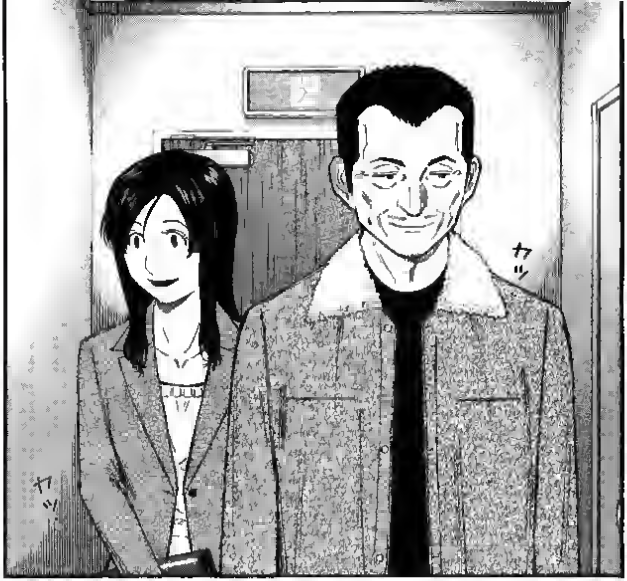
THIS TIME I'M GOING TO COMPLAIN ABOUT SOMETHING THAT ONLY HAPPENS IN THIS SEASON (^^), NOT JUST FOR BARTENDERS, BUT FOR ANY YOUNG MAN WORKING IN THE SERVICE INDUSTRY. THE MOST PAINFUL THING IS TO SEE ...

FOR SOMEONE WHO HASN'T DATED IN TWO YEARS, OF COURSE I'D BE DISTRACTED
BECAUSE OF CHRISTMAS AND WHITE VALENTINES THERE ARE LOTS OF COUPLES
MM!
IT'S A DATE!
EH~ BUT~
YOU WON'T GET DRUNK FROM COCKTAILS, HAVE ANOTHER!
SIGH~


WELL ...
HEY! BARTENDER! COCKTAILS WON'T MAKE YOU DRUNK RIGHT?


THIS IS WHAT MY BOSS/ SENPAI/ MANAGER TOLD ME
YOU HAVE TO LET MALE CUSTOMERS SAVE FACE NO MATTER WHAT. THAT RULE IS SET IN STONE
MM... WELL, IT DEPENDS ON WHAT KIND


WELCOME
Squeak ...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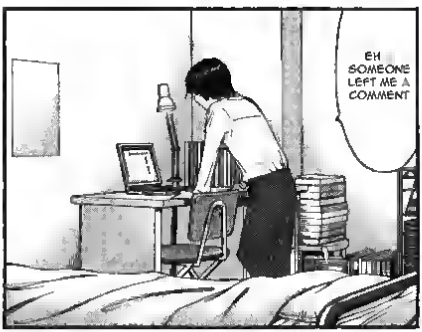
NO. JUST ONE

AN AFFAIR?
THIS COMBI-NATION

FOR TWO?

FEW DAYS LATER

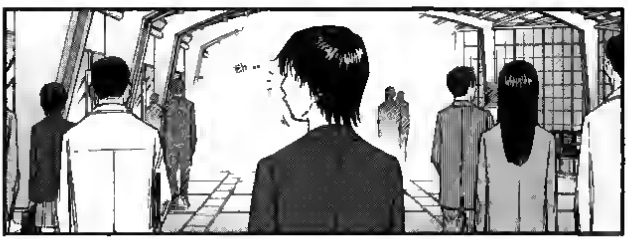


[COMMENT]

I FOUND THIS BLOG BY ACCIDENT. IT SOUNDS LIKE WORK IS TOUGH. I'LL BE CHEERING FOR YOU

—NORTHERN ROSE—

—NEXT DAY—



MIYASHITA — IS SHE THE ONE WHO LEFT ME THAT COMMENT!?
YO!
STANDING AROUND DOING NOTHING IN THE MORNING JEEZ!
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BARTENDER'S ARE SO CHILL I'M JEALOUS!
[COMMENT]
THE WEATHER'S CHANGING, DID YOU CATCH A COLD? I'M ALWAYS LOOKING OUT FOR YOU
— NORTHERN ROSE —
ANOTHER NEW COMMENT
FEW DAYS LATER
IT'S DEFINITELY NOT HER
.....

TSUBASA, HOW'S WORK?
LET'S GO TO A HOT SPRING NEXT TIME!
HOT HOT SPRING! JUST THE TWO OF US!?
SO IT'S KYOUKO-SAN...
HOT SPRING IN THE SNOW. A BATH LATE AT NIGHT. KYOUKO'S SOFT SKIN. A GIRLFRIEND WHO'S OLDER THAN ME----
TSUBASA, THIS IS A MIXED BATH ♥
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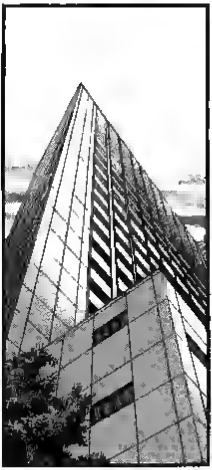

FEW DAYS LATER

○MONTH△DAY ● SNOW IN A GLASS ●

SINCE IT'S WINTER, LET'S TALK ABOUT SNOW STYLE. YOU DO THAT BY RUBBING SALT AROUND THE RIM OF THE GLASS. MARGARITA AND SEA DOG ARE TWO FAMOUS EXAMPLES

[COMMENT]

SNOW STYLE SOUNDS DELICIOUS. IT MAKES ME THINK OF THE SNOW IN MY HOME TOWN

NORTHERN ROSE

Stare
IS IT ACTUALLY SASA-KURA-SAN?
IT'S NOTHING
WHAT IS IT? TIME TO START PREPA-RING
Clunk
GOOD EVENING~! GREAT! I'M THE FIRST ONE HERE!
WELCOME
Creak
AH...

I'LL SIT IN FRONT OF YOU AGAIN!
THERE'S A TYPE OF COCKTAIL WITH SALT ON THE RIMS OF THE GLASS — I THINK IT'S CALLED SNOW STYLE? MAKE ME ONE OF THOSE
IS IT YOU! IS THAT PERSON YOU!?
ALL RIGHT!

I HEAR MY OTHER SELF NAGGING AT ME
"YOU CAN'T DO THIS!"
"APPRENTICES HAVE TO CONCENTRATE ON WORK!"
WHEN I REALIZED HER EXISTENCE, THAT MOMENT
AND YET, THE MORE THAT I KNOW IT'S FORBIDDEN, THE MORE I
Gulp ...

?
UM... I HAVE SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK YOU SASAKURA-SAN
Edenhall's
CLOSED
BECAUSE YOU SHOULDN'T MIX WORK WITH YOUR LOVE LIFE
WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THAT?
A BARTENDER FALLING IN LOVE WITH A CUSTOMER... IT'S NOT ALLOWED, RIGHT?
BUT IF YOU LIKE A PARTICULAR CUSTOMER... YOU'RE ONLY GOING TO GIVE SPECIAL CARE TO THAT ONE CUSTOMER
NOT REALLY! YOU WANT TO MAKE EVERY CUSTOMER FEEL SPECIAL THAT'S WHAT SERVICE IS REALLY ABOUT

THAT'S TRUE BUT THERE ARE PLENTY OF BARTENDERS WHO HAVE RELATION-SHIPS WITH CUSTOMERS
Clang
BUT NOT GET INVOLVED THEMSELVES
Splash
YOU'RE RIGHT BARTENDERS SHOULD HELP BUILD RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN CUSTOMERS
Splash
!?
NORTHERN ROSE I HAVE TO SAY GOODBYE
□DAY ● TAKING A BREAK ●
THERE WON'T BE ANY UPDATES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
SORRY I ASKED SUCH A WEIRD QUESTION

SIGH...
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE ON MY MIND
2 DAYS LATER
I FINALLY DECIDED TO DO IT, BUT...
APPRENTICE... I SEE
BUT IF A CUSTOMER MAKES A REQUEST THEN YOU CAN MIX, RIGHT?
WAKUI-SAN, HOW COME YOU DON'T MIX ANY DRINKS?
Clang...
BECAUSE I'M STILL AN APPREN-TICE
WHA...
YOU CAN PICK THE DRINK, BUT CAN YOU PLEASE MAKE ONE FOR ME?

BUT...
UH... TH THEN!
I'LL MAKE A SNOW STYLE COCKTAIL!
OKAY!
ALTHOUGH IN ENGLISH IT'S KNOWN AS "RIMMED WITH SALT"
I THINK THE TERM WE USE IN JAPAN "SNOW STYLE" IS MORE BEAUTIFUL
AH... SORRY
THE SALT SHOULD BE MORE EVEN

COINTREAU
10 ML
LIME JUICE
10 ML
VODKA
40 ML
COINTREAU
SMIRNOFF
THEN
SHAKE
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FINALLY
REST A
GREEN
CHERRY ON
TOP
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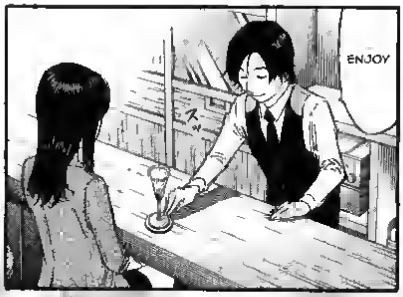
ENJOY

IN 1959 A YAMAGATA BARTENDER IYAMA KEIICHI MIXED THIS TO WIN SANTORI'S (FORMERLY KOTOBUKIYA) COCKTAIL COMPETITION. IT'S A DRINK WITH A LOT OF HISTORY
THIS IS YUKIGUNI (SNOW COUNTRY)

IT'S DELICIOUS! I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE STRONG
BUT IT HAS A COMPLICATED FLAVOR AND FULL OF FRUITY TASTE
IT'S BEAUTIFUL
IT SNOWS IN MY HOME TOWN DURING THIS TIME YOU CAN SEE SNOW EVERY-WHERE
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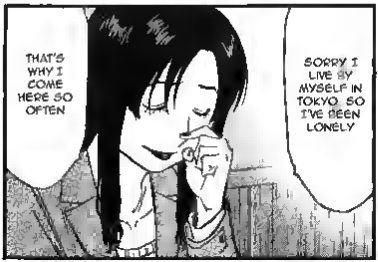
PERHAPS IT'S BECAUSE OF THE SNOW ON THE RIMS
THIS GLASS OF YUKIGUNI ISN'T MADE WITH SUGAR, BUT WITH SALT
YES
SNOW EXHIBITS DIFFERENT EMOTIONS THERE ARE SWEET SNOW PAINFUL SNOW
AND UNFORGETTABLE SNOW


THAT'S WHY I COME HERE SO OFTEN
SORRY I LIVE BY MYSELF IN TOKYO. SO I'VE BEEN LONELY

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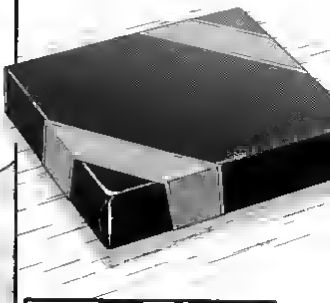
THEN IS THIS ALSO AGAINST THE RULES?
SIP

I'M GLAD
BUT I'M STILL AN APPRENTICE. AND THERE ARE RULES IN A BAR

THANKS FOR ALWAYS MAKING ME DELICIOUS COCKTAILS
IT'S FOR YOU TWO



VALENTINE CHOCO-LATE!?

WHA...
I HOPE YOU RECOVER YOUR BLOG SOON
THIS IS FOR YOU MR WING!
Hmm...?

EH THE TWO OF US!?

Step...
WAIT~

DON'T TELL ME ...
Ah
SIR...HOW DO YOU KNOW I HAVE A BLOG ...
EH?
I MANAGE THE GAY BAR "NORTHERN ROSE"!
COME TO SHINJUKU NICHOUME IF YOU GET A CHANCE!
NORTHERN ROSE

HE'S CRYING!
SASAKURA-SAN, WHAT'S WRONG WITH WAKUI-SAN?
I THINK IT'S BECAUSE—
THANK YOU—SIR
SO YOU'RE—NORTHERN ROSE
THIS IS A SEASON WHERE MISUNDERSTANDINGS ARE EASILY MADE ON A BAR COUNTER

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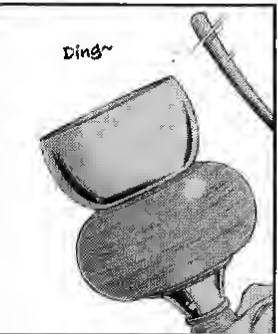
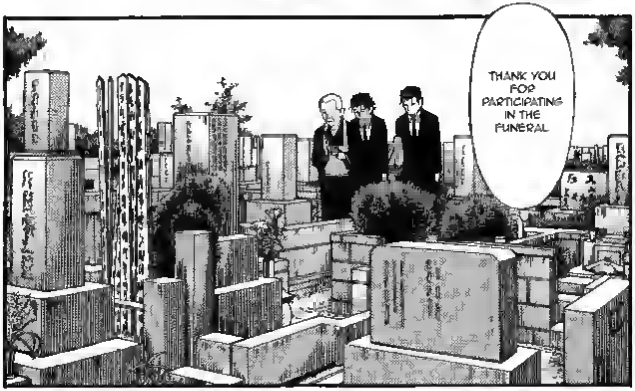
KAMA-KURA



*NAGASAKI-SHI (NAGASAKI TEMPLE)


THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE FUNERAL

TOO BAD I'M A GOOD-FOR-NOTHING SON
walk
YES WE'RE HIS APPRENTICES. BUT WE'RE LIKE HIS SONS
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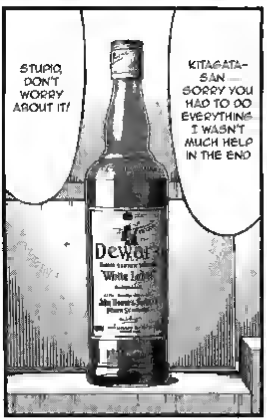
DID FAMILY MEMBERS BRING SOMETHING FOR THE DECEASED?

Ha ha!
DAD~ DRINK UP!
Sigh...


STUPID, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!
KITAGATA-SAN — SORRY YOU HAD TO DO EVERYTHING. I WASN'T MUCH HELP IN THE END
Dewar's
White Label

THE DECEASED WAS A BLESSED MAN
THIS IS ALSO CONSIDERED FATE

BUT THAT'S JUSE HOW YOU ARE
REPAY? THAT'S OLD FASH-IONED
EVEN AFTER I CAME BACK, YOU WERE THE ONE WHO TOOK CARE OF HIM IN THE HOSPITAL
KASE-SAN TOOK SUCH GOOD CARE OF ME BUT I WENT OFF TO FRANCE ON MY OWN I COULDN'T REPAY HIM AT ALL
WHAT DID KASE-SAN THINK OF ME AS AN APPRENTICE?
I WANTED TO ASK YOU...
I KNEW IT...
AND DIFFICULT APPRENTICE!
DO YOU EVEN HAVE TO ASK? OF COURSE YOU'RE A STUBBORN, HARDHEADED
YOU ONLY REALIZE YOUR MASTER'S PAIN WHEN YOU HAVE A PUPIL OF YOUR OWN...
IF IT WAS KASE-SAN WHAT WOULD HE SAY?
LATELY I'VE BEEN THINKING WHAT WOULD KASE-SAN DO AT A TIME LIKE THIS?

YOU'RE MOCKING ME, RIGHT? I SHOULD'VE KEPT IT TO MYSELF
KASE-SAN~ DID YOU HEAR? THIS STUBBORN PUU IS ACTUALLY TROUBLED BY APPRENTICE PROBLEMS~~
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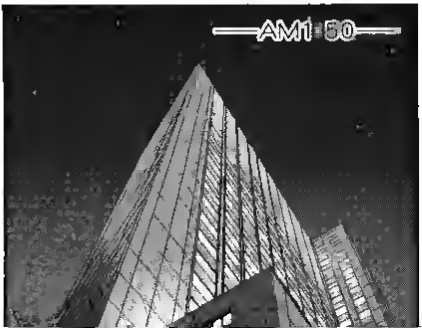
Hah
I'M SURE HE'D TELL YOU
... GO ASK KASE-SAN!
Dewars
White Label

FEW DAYS LATER



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AH! I KNEW IT!
IT'S ABOUT TIME LET'S CLOSE UP
IT'S NO BIG DEAL FOR THE CUSTOMERS
BUT IT'S ONLY 100 YEN— AND IT'S NOT THAT I TOOK TOO MUCH I GAVE THEM TOO MUCH CHANGE
I CALCULATED THOSE TWO CUSTOMERS' BILL WRONG!
I KNEW SOMETHING WAS OFF
Start
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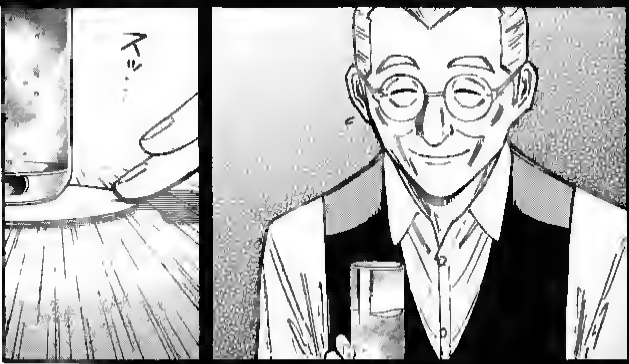
THE PROBLEM ISN'T ABOUT THE AMOUNT OR WHO GETS THE SHORT END OF THE STICK!

IN THIS CASE I GAVE THEM TOO MUCH. WOULDN'T THEY THINK IT'S GOOD LUCK?
SORRY BUT CUSTOMERS WOULD BE ANGRY IF THEY DIDN'T GET ENOUGH MONEY...
NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO YOU CAN NEVER GIVE INCORRECT AMOUNT OF CHANGE
TSUBASA, DON'T YOU SAY THIS YOURSELF?
OR IT CAN MAKE THEM TOO NERVOUS TO PUSH OPEN THE BAR DOOR DON'T YOU THINK?
THAT'S TRUE BUT THIS TYPE OF LUCK WILL ALSO MAKE THE CUSTOMER FEEL GUILTY SOME PEOPLE WOULDN'T VISIT AGAIN BECAUSE OF THAT
I'LL BE CAREFUL NEXT TIME!
I SEE~
THIS IS SOMETHING KASE-SAN TOLD ME MANY TIMES BEFORE
Smile
Uh
YES

YOU WANT TO KNOW?
WHAT KIND OF TEACHER IS KASE-SAN?
WHA... WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO ORDER?
WHAT?
THEN... LET'S TRY IT?
OEWAR'S HIGHBALL NO ICE

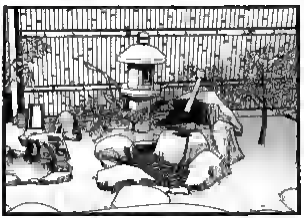
THIS IS ACTUALLY SOMETHING KASE-SAN DEVISED TO HELP ME PRACTICE. HOWEVER, I DIDN'T REALIZE IT AT THE TIME
ENJOY. THIS IS HIGHBALL
JUST LIKE THAT EVERY SINGLE DAY THE LAST DRINK WE MAKE IS FOR KASE-SAN

Gulp ...
LET ME TRY IT



ENJOY THIS IS HIGHBALL
HOW IS IT? IS IT TOO STRONG?
Ah...
THIS COCKTAIL IS EASY
WHY USE HIGHBALL WITH NO ICE TO PRACTICE?
LET'S DRINK SOME-WHERE ELSE!
Ha..
WE WELL HOW'S THE TASTE
Cha's..

*BAR HIGASHIYAMA



HE'S HIGASHI-YAMA-SAN
IT'S OKAY, DON'T BE A STRANGER!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE
THANKS FOR ATTENDING THE FUNERAL DESPITE YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE
COME, HAVE A SEAT
THE BARTENDER WHO IS SAID TO PROVIDE THE BEST SERVICE IN GINZA!

UM...
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AMERICA
EXPRESS
YE. YES HOW DID YOU KNOW...
WAKUI TSURASA RIGHT?
I'M...
IS THAT SO
EVERY BARTENDER IN GINZA KNOWS ABOUT YOU
THE BARTENDER CIRCLE IS QUITE SMALL SASAKURA'S FIRST APPRENTICE AND KASE-SAN'S FIRST GRAND-APPRENTICE

ALSO
PROBABLY BECAUSE IT HAS MORE MALT SO IT HAS A STRONG WHISKY FLAVOR
DO YOU KNOW WHY MOST BARTENDERS LIKE DEWAR'S?
Sharp
BUT DUE TO RACIAL ISSUES THOSE WORDS ARE PRINTED SMALLER NOW
IN THE PAST THE WORDS "WHITE LABEL" WERE PRINTED IN LARGE FONTS
DEWAR'S IS A BLEND OF 40 TYPES OF MALT AND GRAIN WHISKY
IN AMERICA DEWAR'S IS THE ICONIC SCOTCH WHISKY
Dewar's
"White Label"
John Dewar & Sons Ltd
PERTH SCOTLAND

BUT THEY USED TO MAKE IT WITH COLD WHISKY AND SODA WATER
MOST HIGHBALLS ARE MADE WITH ICE NOW
MM. YOU CAN SAY THAT
IS HE A MODEL STUDENT?
?
I KNOW! IT'S KOBE STYLE HIGHBALL!
LASTLY USE LEMON PEEL
THEN USE SODA WATER'S BUBBLES TO MIX
THAT'S RIGHT THE KEY IS TO CHILL THE WHISKY AND GLASS COMPLETELY
BEFORE I GET YOUR ORDERS PLEASE DRINK A GLASS WITH ME

DEWAR'S WHITE LABEL WITH SODA WATER
THIS IS KOBE STYLE HIGHBALL
FOR KASE-SAN...

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KENPAI
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONCERNS.

KENPAI!
WHEN WE KENPAI WE DON'T TOUCH GLASSES, AND WE DON'T DRINK IT ALL...
WHEN WE CELEBRATE, IT'S CALLED A TOAST WHEN WE COMMEMORATE THE DEAD, IT'S CALLED KENPAI
KEN-PAI?
WHEN A BARTENDER PASSES AWAY OTHERS WOULD USE HIS FAVORITE DRINK TO KENPAI

HE SAID IT HIMSELF THAT HE WOULD NEVER GO FARTHER THAN HAKONE BUT HE LOVED KORE STYLE HIGHBALL
BUT NOT MANY PEOPLE ARE LIKE HIGASHIYAMA-SAN WHO REMEMBERS THE EXACT TASTE THAT KASE-SAN LIKED
I SEE~
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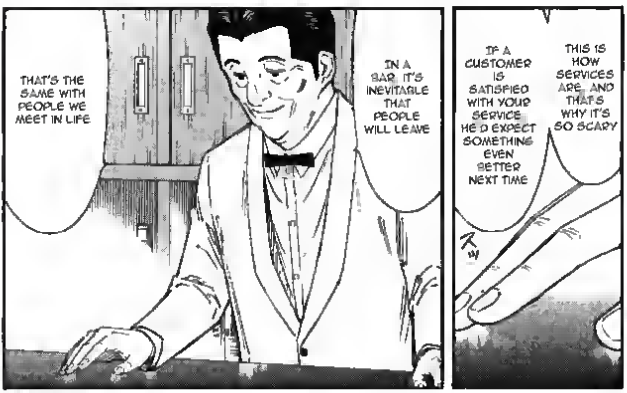
THIS HIGHBALL HAS A FAINT SWEETNESS AND SOURNESS ... I CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF IT!
THAT'S AWESOME! I CAN SEE WHY EVERYONE SAY HIGASHIYAMA-SAN'S SERVICE IS THE BEST!
IF IT DOESN'T TASTE GOOD, THEY'D JUST LEAVE AND NEVER COME BACK
EH
THANKS FOR YOUR KIND WORDS. BUT REGULAR CUSTOMERS RARELY TELL ME IF A DRINK IS DELICIOUS OR NOT

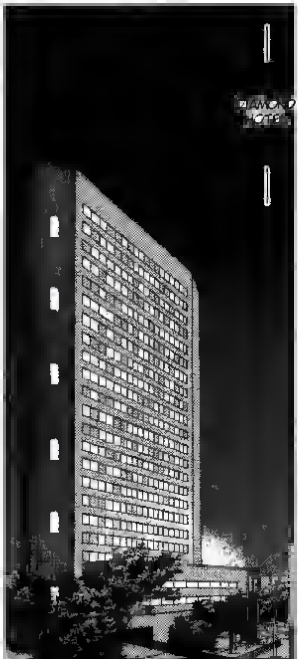
LET'S DRINK SOME-WHERE ELSE!
WE WELL HOW'S THE TASTE
AH

THAT'S RIGHT — KASE-SAN ALSO TRIED TO TEACH ME THIS WITHOUT SAYING A WORD

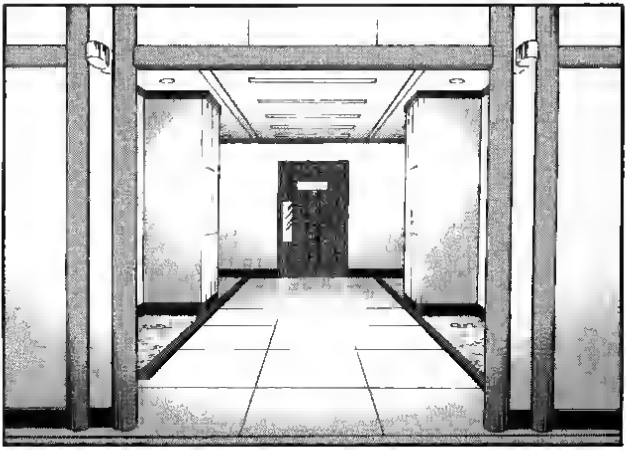

THAT'S THE SAME WITH PEOPLE WE MEET IN LIFE
IN A BAR, IT'S INEVITABLE THAT PEOPLE WILL LEAVE
IF A CUSTOMER IS SATISFIED WITH YOUR SERVICE HE'D EXPECT SOMETHING EVEN BETTER NEXT TIME
THIS IS HOW SERVICES ARE, AND THAT'S WHY IT'S SO SCARY

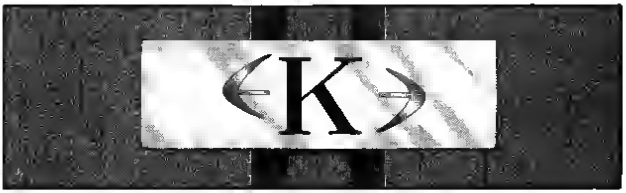
NO MATTER HOW DIFFICULT YOU HAVE TO GIVE IT YOUR ALL TO SERVE THE CUSTOMERS OR ELSE YOU WILL REGRET IT
AND THIS REGRET WILL LAST A LIFETIME
HIGASHIYAMA -SAN IS REALLY SOMETHING I LEARNED SO MUCH!

BUT... I THINK IT'S A BIT TOO DEEP FOR ME~
HE HE...



THEN... WANT TO TRY A ANOTHER PLACE?
AMERICA

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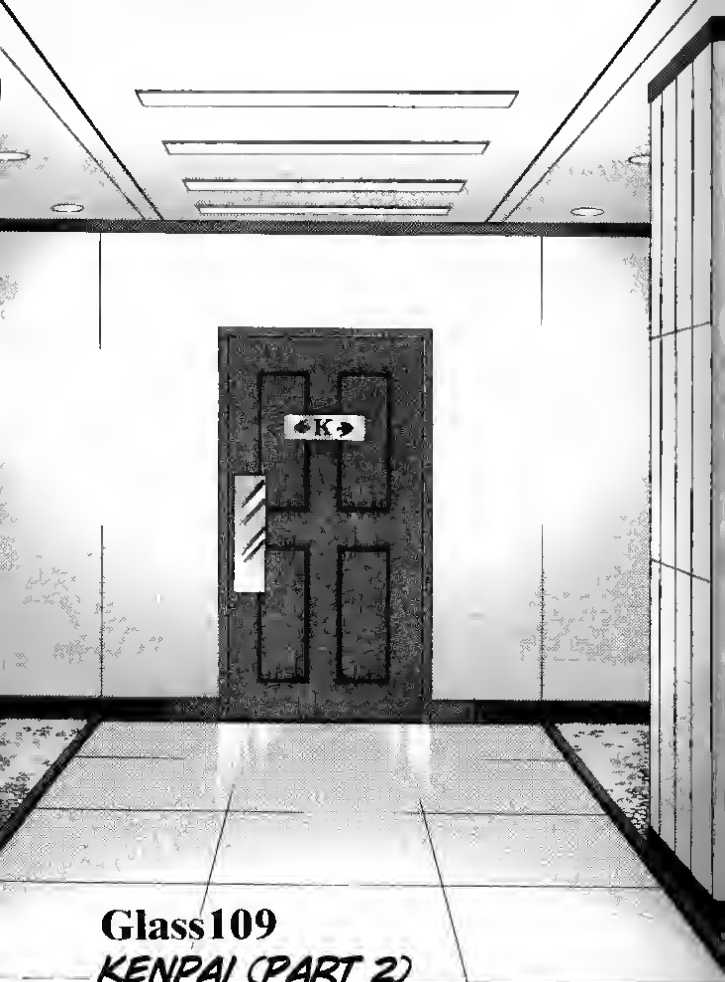
WELCOME



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KENPAI (PART 2)

HE'S MR PERFECT KUZUHARA RYUUICHI!

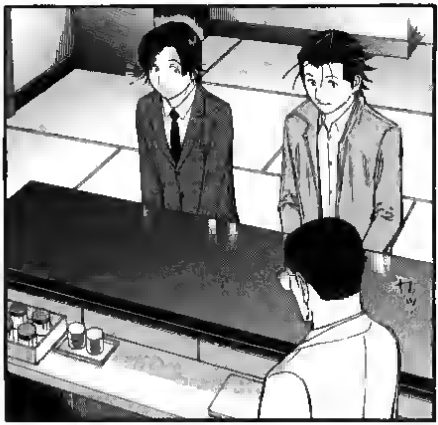
WELCOME

IS THIS GUY AN APPRENTICE?
THANKS
WELCOME
PLEASE

I DON'T HAVE BUSINESS CARDS YET IF YOU DON'T MIND, I CAN HAND WRITE ONE FOR YOU
ARE YOU AN APPRENTICE? COULD YOU GIVE ME YOUR CARD LATER?

KUZUHARA-SAN WILL SERVE YOU SHORTLY PLEASE WAIT

I GUESS HE REALLY IS A NEWBIE
OH~



THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING KASE GOROU'S FUNERAL DESPITE YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO ORDER?
SINCE WE'RE HERE, DON'T HOLD BACK. LEARN WHAT YOU CAN!
OKAY! BEFORE I FORGET THE TASTE, I'LL ORDER WHAT HISASHIYAMA-SAN MADE AND COMPARE.
I WANT DEWAR'S HIGHBALL
MAKE IT A KOBE-STYLE HIGHBALL WITH NO ICE
I'M VERY SORRY, BUT WE CANNOT PROVIDE A HIGHBALL LIKE THAT

WE ONLY SERVE OUR OWN HIGHBALL
IF YOU LIKE KOBE-STYLE THEN DRINK IT OVER THERE!
WHA...
SO SORRY! THEN A REGULAR HIGHBALL WILL DO
I'LL LET YOU DECIDE!
CLINK

AND FOR YOU
THE SAME
THE SAME
DOESN'T THAT LACK CREATIVITY?
LACK CREATIVITY?
.....
THEN WHATEVER YOU RECOMMEND
OKAY
K

OKAY
!

BUT WHY IS SASAKURA-SAN'S A 12-YEAR?
Dewars
12
BOTH ARE DEWAR'S WHITE LABEL
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ほう…
AS YOU ALL SHOULD KNOW…

THE CUSTOMERS HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO SAY IN WHAT I MAKE. NOT EVEN TO ALTER THE RATIO BY A DROP OF WATER
WHAT I STRIVE FOR IS THE PERFECT COCKTAIL

YES, WE UNDERSTAND.

THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL GLASS OF COCKTAIL
AND SO...
CONSIDER IT MY WAY OF REPAYING KASE-SAN'S KINDNESS
AND CREATE YOUR OWN FLAVOR
PLEASE SLOWLY ADD ICE WATER INTO THE WHISKY

FOR BARTENDER KASE GOROU — KENPAI
Dewar's
12
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CREATE YOUR OWN FLAVOR ...

KENPAI
THANK YOU KENPAI
EH
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KEN, KEN-PAI!
IT BROUGHT OUT WHISKY'S HIDDEN SWEETNESS!
SO SWEET! TONIC AND LEMON PEEL

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OF COURSE IT'S DELICIOUS. WHY WOULD YOU NEED BARTENDERS OTHERWISE? RIGHT?
SIR... PLEASE BE QUIET
DON'T JUST WALK THE PATH OF THE SAINT BUT STRIVE FOR THE SAINT'S IDEALS

IT MEANS TO REPAY YOUR MASTER'S KINDNESS. INHERIT HIS DREAMS.
BUT ALSO TO SURPASS HIM

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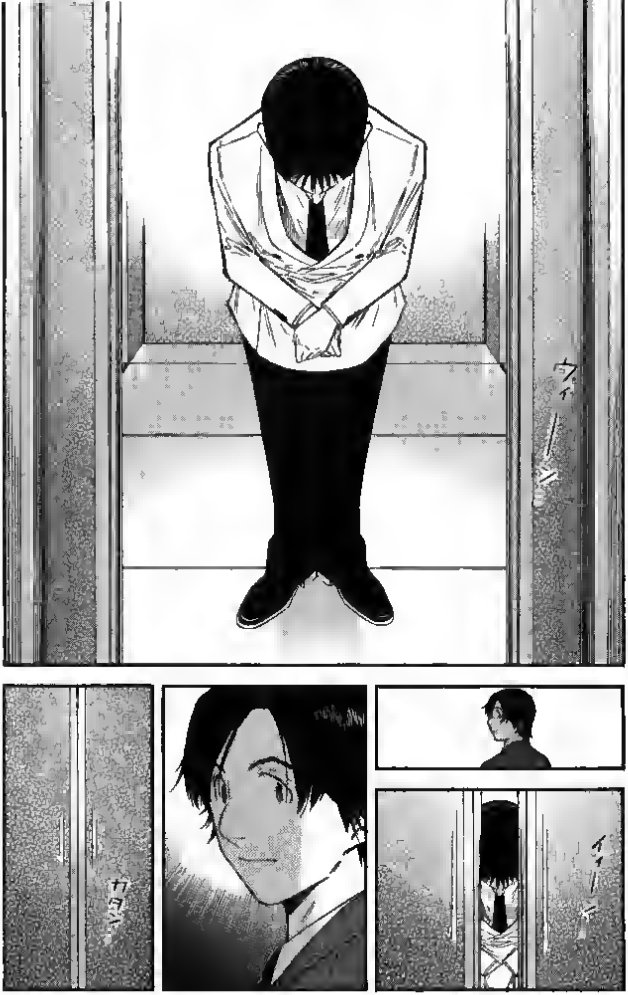
THAT'S RIGHT

Gulp ...
Drip
Drip
K2

CAN YOU TELL?
!
GLASS OF GODS SASAKURA RYUU
YES EXACTLY
IF YOU ADD EVEN ONE MORE DROP OF WATER... THE WHISKY'S BALANCE WILL BE DESTROYED
THAT SHOULD BE THE LIMIT OF HOW MUCH WATER YOU CAN ADD

WHY DID HE PICK A 12-YEAR DEWAR'S?
THAT BOTTLE
IS MADE FROM 12-YEAR OLD WHISKY THAT'S BEEN BLENDED
THEN PUT BACK INTO THE CASK FOR 6 MORE MONTHS BEFORE IT IS PACKAGED
Dewar's
12 YEARS
SO IT'S LIKE A SALMON SWIMMING BACK TO IT'S BIRTHPLACE!
HE HE
JUST IMITATING KASE-SAN'S FAVORITE DRINK ISN'T ENOUGH FOR KENPAI
YOU HAVE TO FIND YOUR OWN METHOD CREATE YOUR OWN FLAVOR AND SURPASS KASE-SAN TO REALLY HONOR HIM
SIR!

IT'S RAINING OUTSIDE. PLEASE USE THESE UMBRELLAS
PLEASE
THANK YOU
THANKS~ THE COCKTAIL WAS DELICIOUS
PLEASE COME AGAIN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Sigh ...
I NEVER NOTICED HE IS ACTUALLY A SKINNY SHORT GUY
HE LOOKED BIGGER BEHIND THE COUNTER... RIGHT? AS EXPECTED OF KUZUHARA-SAN'S APPRENTICE
.....
EH...
TSUBASA STARTING TOMORROW I'LL BE MORE STRICT

IT'S, IT'S OKAY! SASAKURA-SAN IS STILL AN APPRENTICE MANAGER
AND KUZUHARA-SAN'S STYLE IS DIFFERENT
THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO DO... BUT I'M NO GOOD AT SCOLDING PEOPLE
IT'S BECAUSE I'M AN IDIOT WHO WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND WITH WORDS ALONE SO HE HAD TO SHOW IT TO ME
BEFORE TAKING ME TO HIGASHI-YAMA-SAN AND KUZUHARA-SAN'S BAR
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OH CHEER UP~
I ACTUALLY KNEW ALL ALONG WHY SASAKURA-SAN DIDN'T SAY A WORD...
YES...
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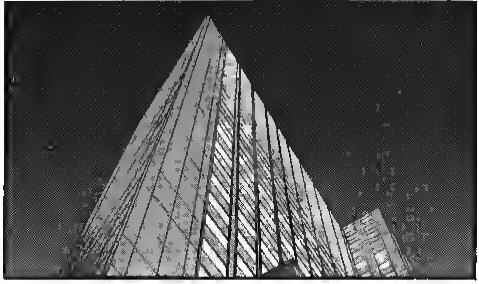

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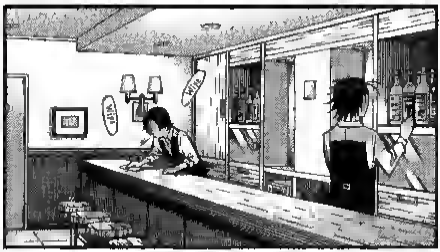

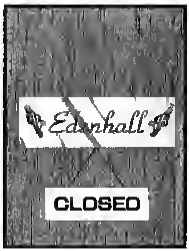
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AND ALSO HOW MUCH TECHNIQUE AND SERVICE A FIRST-CLASS BARTENDER NEEDS
HE SHOWED ME THE GREATNESS OF A FIRST-CLASS BAR
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WE'RE BOTH APPRENTICES BUT ..
OKAY! BOTTLES NEXT!
ALSO ...
HIS WORDS ARE BEAUTIFUL!
Bartender
Shiraishi Ken
090-XXX-XXXX
Thank you for visiting today

YES
EH... MM OIO WAKUI-SAN CAME TO WORK FROM HOME?
YOU'RE HERE EARLY TODAY, OIO YOU JUST GET OFF WORK?
OH~ IS THAT SO
YOU GET A GOOD MEAL EVERY DAY THEN
NOT TO MENTION SOME-TIMES I HAVE TO EAT DUMP-LINGS WITH SASA-KURA-SAN
MY PARENTS ARE NOSY THEY'D LEAVE SUPPER ON THE TABLE FOR ME~ BUT I'M NOT A KID ANY-MORE!
BUT TO BE HONEST, I STILL HAVE A THING FOR HER
I THOUGHT SHE LIKED ME BUT THEN I REALIZED IT WAS JUST A MISUNDER-STANDING

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APPRENTICE SHIRAISHI KEN

LET'S JUST HEAD HOME THEN
OH FINE
Ding-Dong
NOT AT ALL!
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TSUBASA~ ARE YOU HUNGRY?
Ye
AH!
.....
GINZA

I GUESS IT'S NOT THAT SURPRISING SINCE SHE'S SO PRETTY
SO SHE'S AN ESCORT
AH ..
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE A GOOD TIME TO SAY HI
IT INVOLVES CLIENT PRIVACY I'LL JUST PRETEND I DIDN'T SEE HER
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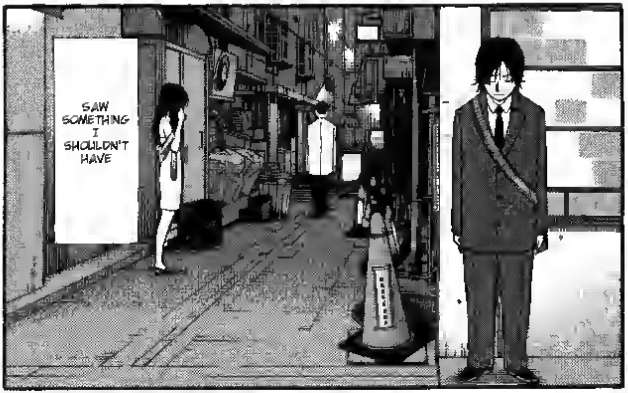
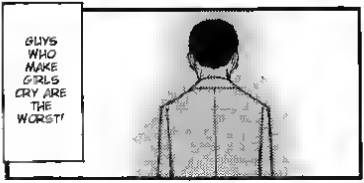
I GOT IT. STOP CRYING!
!?
THIS GUY...
I GOTTA GO. WE'LL TALK LATER...


SAW SOMETHING I SHOULDN'T HAVE


GUYS WHO MAKE GIRLS CRY ARE THE WORST!

I CAN'T FORGIVE HIM!

ROPPONGI

APPRENTICE, YOU SURE ARE DRINKING FAST TODAY. SOMETHING WRONG?
WHEW
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BARTENDERS HAVE A BAD REP BECAUSE OF PEOPLE LIKE THAT
SPEAKING OF APPRENTICE IF YOU MET A SMIRKING CASUAL BARTENDER WOULDN'T IT PISS YOU OFF?
TODAY'S AN APPRENTICE GATHERING
AH
He he...
OF COURSE NOT!
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT YOURSELF-
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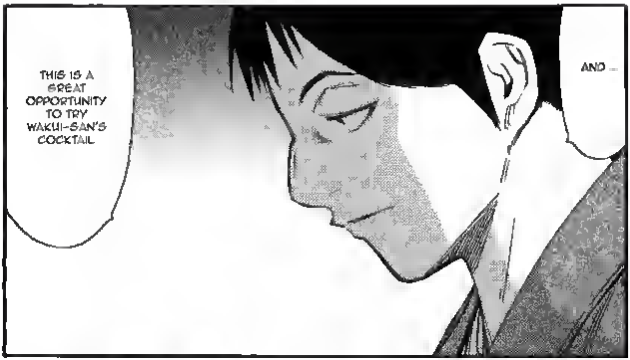
?
WAKUI-SAN DO YOU COME HERE OFTEN?
AH, HE'S EDEN HALLS
YOU'RE WAKUI TSUBASA RIGHT? YOU VISITED WITH SASAKURA-SAN A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO

HEY DON'T GO!
I'LL BE LEAVING
SINCE WE'RE HERE, LET'S HAVE A LITTLE CHAT
I DON'T WANT TO RUIN YOUR DATE
THIS GUY... THIS DEMEANOR IS TOTALLY DIFFERENT THAN WHEN HE'S AT THE BAR
YOU'RE MISTAKEN... WE'RE NOT ON A DATE OH RIGHT I HAVEN'T INTRODUCED MYSELF
I'M SAWAKI NANA
WE LIVED IN THE SAME TOWN. I GUESS WE'RE CONSIDERED ACQUAINTANCES


THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO TRY WAKUI-SAN'S COCKTAIL
AND...

MAY I BORROW THE BAR?
SURE! OUR BAR IS DIFFERENT FROM KUZUHARA -SAN'S. NO RESTRICTIONS~

HE WANTS TO TEST ME?

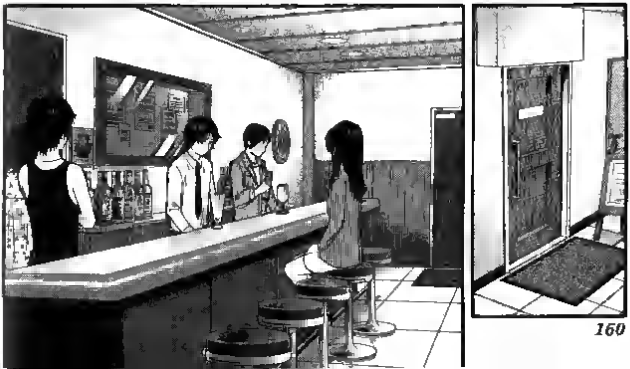
YOU NEVER LET ME GO TO YOUR STORE

I... I WANT TO TRY KEN'S COCKTAIL

.....
GOOD IDEA. I'D WANT TO TRY YOUR COCKTAIL TOO
PANACHE
I WANT TO DRINK A LEMON-FLAVORED BEER LIKE SHADY GAFF
IF YOU GUYS ARE MAKING
MIX BEER TOGETHER WITH A LEMON-FLAVORED SODA LIKE 7UP OR SPRITE AT 1:1 RATIO
7UP
SUNTORY
PREMIUM
PANACHE. IT'S FRENCH FOR "MIXED"

A COMPETITION WITH THE BEAUTY AS THE PRIZE
HEH HEH. THIS IS GREAT!

OKAY TIME TO GO ALL OUT!



WHY DID WAKUI-SAN DECIDE TO BECOME A BARTENDER?
IT JUST KIND OF HAPPENED... I DIDN'T INTEND ON BECOMING ONE. YOU?
POUF...
BECAUSE COMPARED TO CHEFS...
BARTENDERS CAN AFFORD THEIR OWN STORES MORE QUICKLY
YOUR OWN STORE
MOST PEOPLE THINK IT'S EASY TO MAKE MONEY WITH LIQUOR
YOU'RE WRONG
POUF...
.....

IF YOU CAN LAST 10 YEARS UNDER KUZUHARA-SAN THERE'S NOT A PLACE IN JAPAN THAT WOULDN'T WANT YOU
THIS CAREER RELIES ON SKILL
I'M DONE TOO
... IT'S FINISHED THIS IS PANACHE

SHEESH
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DON'T EVER CALL THE BAR AGAIN
ARE YOU SATISFIED NOW?
IT'S VERY DELICIOUS!
DELICIOUS
.....
EH
MAY I TRY YOUR COCKTAIL?
Hah ...
Gulp

IF HIS APPRENTICE IS ONLY CAPABLE OF THIS ... THEN SASAKURA, THE GLASS OF GODS, IS PROBABLY NOTHING MUCH EITHER!
SORRY
NOTHING MUCH ?
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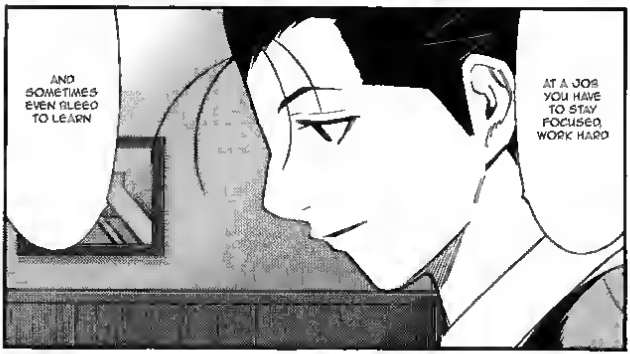
BUT HE'S DRINK CONSISTS OF SWEETNESS SOURNESS AND BITTERNESS, AND THEY WORK AS ONE
IT'S ON A WHOLE DIFFERENT LEVEL! I JUST MIXED BEER WITH LEMON SODA
NO NEED, NO NEED!
I'LL LEAVE THE MONEY HERE THANKS
THIS IS FRENCH STYLE PANACHE
FRENCH STYLE!
YOU'RE STILL YOUNG, DON'T BE SO STUBBORN! JUST DO THIS OLD MAN A FAVOR!
IT'S NOT PITY WE'RE ALL BARTENDERS, SO DON'T BE A STRANGER!
I DON'T NEED PITY

ON MULTIPLE LEVELS

I'VE COMPLETELY LOST.....

YOU THOUGHT THIS DRINK WAS EASY RIGHT? THAT'S WHY YOU FORGOT IT HAS MULTIPLE WAYS OF MIXING
I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS A FRENCH STYLE

NEXT DAY
HM. PANACHE. I THOUGHT I TAUGHT YOU THAT
CLOSED


AND SOMETIMES EVEN NEED TO LEARN
AT A JOB YOU HAVE TO STAY FOCUSED, WORK HARD

FIRST MAKE 3 TEASPOON OF LEMON JUICE. THEN ADD SOME SUGAR AND 150CC OF WATER
IN FRANCE, THE FOCAL POINT OF PANACHE IS ON THE LEMON SODA...

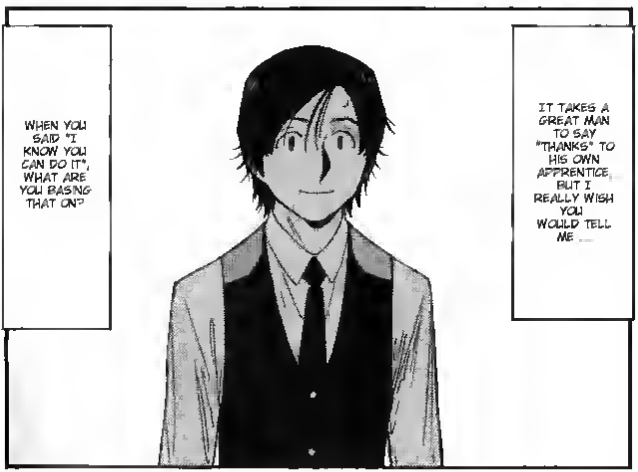
SASAKURA-SAN REALLY HIT THE NAIL ON THE HEAD...

BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE INCLINED TO PRACTICE FAMOUS OR COMPLICATED DRINKS
THE SIMPLER A DRINK IS THE EASIER IT IS TO MESS UP
WOULD TASTE DIFFERENTLY THAN MAKING ONE OUT OF STOCK LEMON SODA
EVEN IF THEY'RE BOTH PANACHE FIRST MIXING THE LEMON SODA THEN ADD BEER
FOR A GLASS THIS IMPORTANT THERE'S NOTHING EASY ABOUT IT
BUT FOR A CUSTOMER THIS ONE GLASS IS EVERYTHING
... YES
THEN FILL UP WITH BEER. FINALLY STIR LIGHTLY
FIRST ADD LEMON SODA INTO A CHILLED GLASS
I SEE

I THOUGHT ABOUT THIS LONG AND HARD ... I KNOW I CAN'T BECOME KASE-SAN OR KUZUHARA-SAN
BUT WHAT I CAN DO IS TO SHOW YOU HOW MUCH EFFORT I PUT IN AT THE BAR
HERE, THIS IS FRENCH STYLE PANACHE
I'LL TRY IT
I GET IT NOW ...

I'VE MADE A PROMISE TO MYSELF
THE SMIRKING, CASUAL GUY MIGHT ACTUALLY BE ME
GULP
I WON'T LOSE TO HIM AGAIN
IF HIS APPRENTICE IS ONLY CAPABLE OF THIS ... THEN SASAKURA, THE CLASS OF GODS, IS PROBABLY NOTHING MUCH EITHER.
I'LL WORK HARD FOR SASAKURA-SAN'S SAKE!
I'LL START PRACTICING RIGHT AWAY AND REPRODUCE THIS TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITIES!

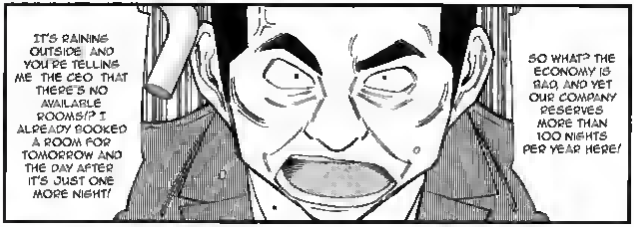
DON'T WORRY I KNOW YOU CAN DO IT
HM?
UM... SASAKURA-SAN!
THANKS
LET'S GET DUMPLINGS LATER MY TREAT!


WHEN YOU SAID "I KNOW YOU CAN DO IT", WHAT ARE YOU BASING THAT ON?
IT TAKES A GREAT MAN TO SAY "THANKS" TO HIS OWN APPRENTICE... BUT I REALLY WISH YOU WOULD TELL ME...

Glass111
EACH PERSON'S SPRING

THE MANAGER'S OUT ON BUSINESS. HE'S NOT HERE TODAY
YOU NEWBIE, GET ME YOUR MANAGER!

DON'T YOU KNOW WHO I AM!?

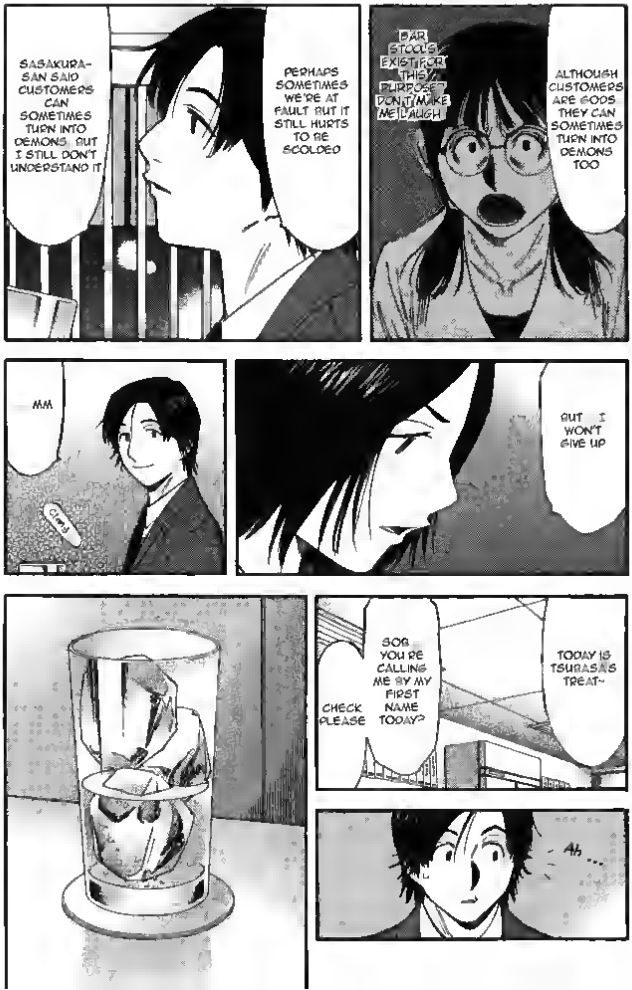

IT'S RAINING OUTSIDE AND YOU'RE TELLING ME THE CEO THAT THERE'S NO AVAILABLE ROOMS!? I ALREADY BOOKED A ROOM FOR TOMORROW AND THE DAY AFTER IT'S JUST ONE MORE NIGHT!
SO WHAT? THE ECONOMY IS BAD, AND YET OUR COMPANY RESERVES MORE THAN 100 NIGHTS PER YEAR HERE!

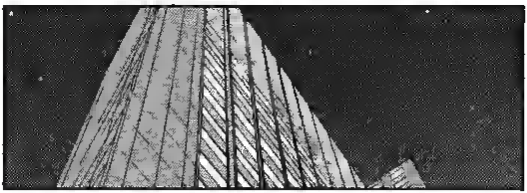
BUT ..

EVEN IF IT'S BOOKED, HOTELS SHOULD HAVE RESERVE ROOMS. YOU THINK I DON'T KNOW THAT?
... IT'S REALLY FULLY BOOKED TODAY. OUR RECEPTIONIST ALSO PHONED YOU.
Shake
Trembl

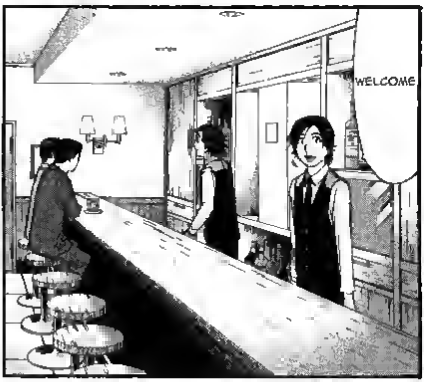
MIYA-SHITA
IS THIS HOW YOU TREAT A CUSTOMER!?
.....
EDEN HALL IS OPENING
CLOSED
ONE WEEK LATER
MIYASHITA~ WANT TO GO FOR A DRINK TONIGHT? MY TREAT! BUT I CAN ONLY AFFORD A STANDING IZAKAYA (^^;
WAKUI TSUBASA

SAME AS ALWAYS SHE'S TOUGH
YOU
WHERE THE HECK DO YOU FIND GEISHAS IN THIS DAY AND AGE!?
THEN THAT CUSTOMER ASKED ME WHERE TO FIND GEISHA GIRLS
Clank
NO... NOTHING... I'M JUST THINKING WHAT ARE CUSTOMERS EXACTLY?
Pinch!
Ther hurts
TSUGASA~ THAT EXPRESSION DOESN'T SUIT YOU~ WHAT RE YOU THINKING?
MM...
CUSTOMERS ARE GODS~ YOU TAKE WHAT COMES AT YOU IN THE SERVICE INDUSTRY~
CUSTO-MERS...


SASAKURA-SAN SAID CUSTOMERS CAN SOMETIMES TURN INTO DEMONS. BUT I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND IT
PERHAPS SOMETIMES WE'RE AT FAULT. BUT IT STILL HURTS TO BE SCOLDED
BAR STOOLS EXIST FOR THIS PURPOSE? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH
ALTHOUGH CUSTOMERS ARE GODS, THEY CAN SOMETIMES TURN INTO DEMONS TOO
MM
Clunk
BUT I WON'T GIVE UP
CHECK PLEASE
SO? YOU'RE CALLING ME BY MY FIRST NAME TODAY?
TODAY IS TSUBASA'S TREAT~
Ah...



NEXT DAY



PLEASE USE THIS TOWEL
HEY!
SUPP
GINZA GIRLS ARE SO COCKY ONLY THE COST IS FIRST-CLASS
I'M A FREAKIN CUSTOMER!
YES
HEY IS THAT BOWMORE? THE THIRD ONE FROM THE RIGHT
GIVE ME A WHISKY OR SOMETHING I STILL WANT TO DRINK

CASK?
CAS

CASK MEANS CASK STRENGTH. WHICH MEANS IT CONTAINS THE SAME ALCOHOL CONTENT AS THE ORIGINAL LIQUOR IN THE CASK

THAT'S BOWMORE CASK
BOWMORE
Dewar's

ENJOY... THIS IS BOWMORE CASK

I WANT IT NEAT! EXPERTS ALL KNOW TO DRINK WHISKY NEAT!
OF OF COURSE I KNEW THAT! I'M AN EXPERT!

AH...
COUGH, COUGH! COUGH, COUGH!
!!
YOUNG MAN GIVE ME A BEER!
I THINK IT'S BETTER TO START OFF WITH BEER
GULP...
GULP...
YES?
EXCUSE ME
OKAY

CHECK!
NEXT I WANT A GIN TONIC
USE WHATEVER FRUITS YOU LIKE. MAKE IT LESS STRONG
EH
Hmh.
Stand...
?
MR. MISTER THAT'S A RARE LIQUOR IT'S A REAL "OLD BOTTLE"...

WHAT? DION'T I PAY FOR IT?
NOTHING
IF YOU CAN'T HANDLE IT THEN DON'T ORDER A 100 PROOF CASK!
TRYING TO ACT PRO!
DAMN IT
Edenhall
CLOSED

TSURASA DID YOU TELL HIM THAT THE ALCOHOL CONTENT IS VERY HIGH? OR SUGGEST THAT IT'S BEST TO ADD ICE, ADD WATER, OR ADD TONIC WATER?
JUST CAUSE HE PAID - DOES IT MEAN HE CAN DO WHATEVER HE WANTS?

IS THAT TRUE FOR EVERY-THING?
EVERYONE PRETENDS AT ONE POINT OR ANOTHER
THEN WE DION'T FIGURE IT OUT. IT'S OUR FAULT

EVEN THOUGH IT'S BULL
HE SAID HE'S AN EXPERT

MR WAKUI TSURASA
JUST BECAUSE CUSTOMERS ARE GODS NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS... THE CUSTOMER IS ALWAYS RIGHT?

THEN YOU'LL NEVER BECOME A PROFESSIONAL BARTENDER
IF YOU REALLY TREAT CUSTOMERS LIKE GODS
EVEN WHEN I WAS A STUDENT, I NEVER PRETEND TO BE SICK AND PLAY HOOKIE BEFORE ...
.....
BEEP!
NEXT DAY
I GOT IT
SORRY SASAKURA-SAN I'M HAVING A FEVER I CAN'T COME TO WORK TODAY

TO A BARTENDER, EVERY DROP OF LIQUOR IS LIKE THEIR OWN BLOOD
YOU WANT ME TO TELL YOU IF CUSTOMERS ARE GOOD?
BUT... I JUST CAN'T ACCEPT IT!

.....

BUT IF CUSTOMERS ARE GOOD, THEN IT CAN'T BE HELPED, AND THEY PAID TOO...
IF THE CUSTOMER DOESN'T FINISH IT I FEEL LIKE THEY'RE INSULTING SOMETHING PRECIOUS TO ME...

ASAN-DON LIQUOR?

DO YOU KNOW WHAT COCKTAIL CAN ONLY BE MADE IF YOU ABANDON LIQUOR?

キュルル
カチ
SOME-WHAT ?
トク
CINZANO
LET ME ASK YOU. DOES A CUSTOMER KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PROFES-SIONAL AND AMATEUR?
YOU HAVE TO ABANDON CERTAIN THINGS IN LIFE
TO BECOME A PROFES-SIONAL
IDEALS
ADMIRATIONS
FOR EXAMPLE YOUR PAST DREAMS

WITHSTAND THE PAIN OF ABANDONMENT AND LEARN FROM IT
THAT'S HOW YOU GROW THAT'S HOW YOU BECOME A PRO

THAT'S PRECISELY WHY YOU CAN'T EASILY ABANDON THINGS. YOU HAVE TO ABANDON THEM EFFECTIVELY
THEN ADD GIN
トク

YES!
THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT TO KNOW, RIGHT?
キュルル
WHETHER CUSTOMERS ARE GODS IF THEY CAN LEAVE WITHOUT FINISHING THEIR DRINK
IN ALL OF JAPAN, YOU'RE THE ONLY BARTENDER WHO SITS AT A BAR AT 6 PM TALKING NONSENSE!
BASTARD!

AH... YES...!
ENJOY. THIS IS A COCKTAIL MADE BY A PROFES-SIONAL BARTENDER.
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チャプ
THIS IS RINSE TYPE MARTINI
TOSS AWAY DRY VERMOUTH AFTER RINSING THE ICE WITH IT THEN ADD 60 ML OF GIN

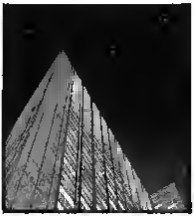
BUT DEEP WITHIN THAT SHARPNESS YOU CAN FEEL VERMOUTH'S FAINT FRAGRANCE THE MELTED ICE HAS A WARM FEELING TO IT
THE WHOLE GLASS IS CHILLED G'N THE FLAVOR IS SHARP LIKE A KNIFE
I'LL TRY IT
BECAUSE
EH
YOU CAN'T TREAT CUSTOMERS LIKE GODS IF YOU DO THAT THEN YOU JUST SEE THEM AS MONEY
E...
NEITHER GODS NOR MONEY WOULD BE TROUBLED LIKE YOU RIGHT?

BECAUSE WE'RE HUMAN, WE HAVE EMOTIONS, SO WE CAN BE MOVED BY A SINGLE COCKTAIL. AND THAT'S WHY BARTENDING IS AN ART
PERHAPS, CUSTOMERS HAVE THEIR OWN PROBLEMS TOO, SAME AS BARTENDERS BECAUSE WE'RE ALL HUMANS
I THINK I GET IT NOW...
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

BARTENDERS ARE ALWAYS MORE KIND TO OTHER PEOPLE'S APPRENTICE!
KUZUHARA-SAN NEVER SCOLDED ME LIKE THAT BEFORE
!
BUT HE SEEMS TO HAVE A BACKBONE TOO!

CAN I COME TO WORK RIGHT NOW?
SORRY SASAKURA-SAN MY FEVER SUDDENLY GOT BETTER

WHA ...!
OKAY YOU HAVE 5 MINUTES TO GET HERE



AH...

BUT PLEASE ENJOY THE CHERRY BLOSSOMS A BIT LONGER!

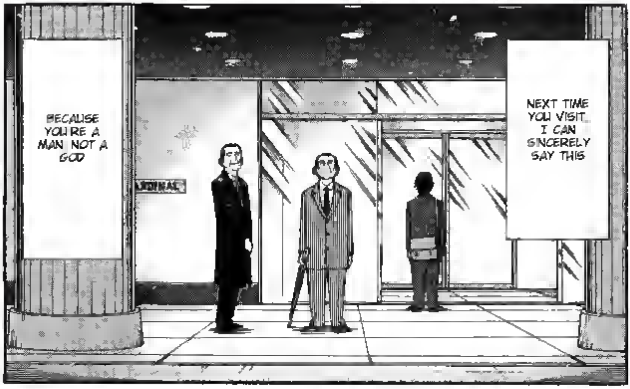
INDEED, SIR THE CHERRY BLOSSOMS ARE BEAUTIFUL AT NIGHT
THE SKY FINALLY CLEARED

I'M VERY SORRY

I'LL MISS THE TRAIN!
THE TAXI ISN'T HERE YET?

BUT...

"DAMN GEEZER!" IS WHAT I WANT TO SAY


BECAUSE YOU'RE A MAN, NOT A GOD
NEXT TIME YOU VISIT, I CAN SINCERELY SAY THIS

WELCOME SIR

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